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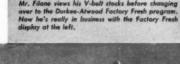




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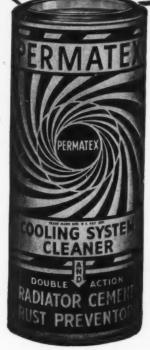
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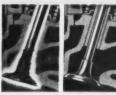
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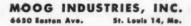


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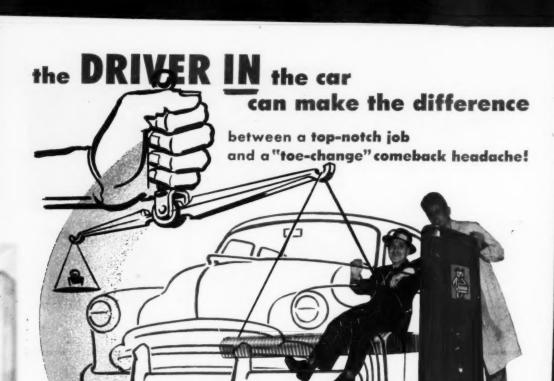






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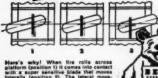


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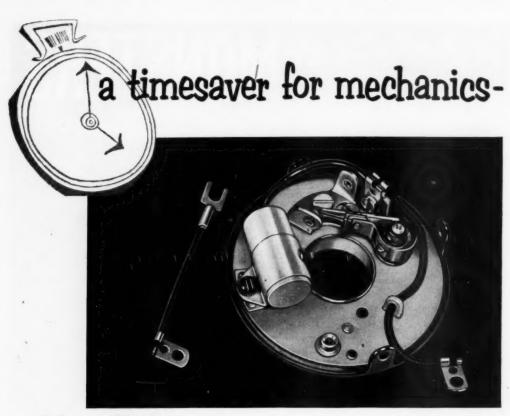
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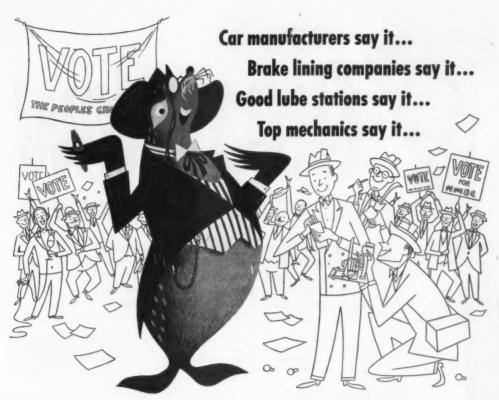
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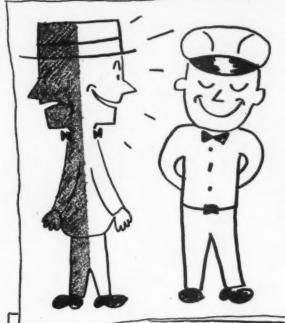
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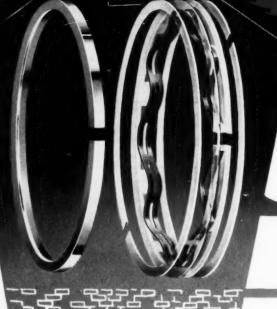
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Smart operators can vouch for some certain ways of boosting the shop along the road to bigger business. Consider what General Manager J. L. Groome of Harry's Cadillac Pontiac Co., Asheville, N. C., reported to SAJ's editors. A "Free Brake Inspection" sign was placed where it was bound to catch the eye of service customers as they drove in. It was as simple as that, so what happened? Groome said that for weeks later the brake department was operating at full time. "A

man wouldn't ask you to check his brakes unless he thought there was something wrong," he commented. "Seeing that sign often prompted customers to take advantage of the 'free' offer.' Service Manager Howard Wolfe estimated that 75 per cent of the inspections showed a need for some kind of brake service.

A wrecker may be the one piece of equipment to which you haven't given enough attention. This Asheville dealership has. Listen to President Harry

D. Blomberg, a dealer since the mid-twenties: "The man who has had a wreck may never see your place of business, but he'll see your wrecker. If you want to run a better chance of getting the wreck-repair job after it has been towed in, you had better send out a clean, modern wrecker which will impress the owner of the wrecked car. If the wrecker is a sorry sight, then the man will figure that your shop looks about that way, and you stand a good chance of not getting the job, even if you do tow it in." He opened for business in a service station (and now owns a chain of them) and since 1925 has operated two or more wreckers. "Fifty per cent of our body shop work has come to us directly as a result of having a wrecker," he said. "It's a perfect tie-in for a body shop."

Equipment in another form is getting attention over the South and Southwest. Last

month, within a period of 48 hours, SAJ's editors were advised of one type of equipment being bought simultaneously by jobbers in three different localities—a piece of equipment which they felt had definite possibilities in the automotive field which it was entering. It's a magnetic method of testing for fatigue fractures in metal parts, previously almost impossible without complete laboratory facilities.

A San Antonio wholesaler, C. H. Mountjoy of the Mountjoy Co., said: "Due to the increase in horsepower, high speeds and larger engines, parts have been subjected to greater and greater stresses. This has resulted in an increase in metal failures." A combination of high charge on the part and spraying of a wet stream of a special compound causes fine particles in solution in the compound to form in a line along any fracture. Thus

is simplified the checking of crankshafts, connecting rods, valves, wristpins, camshafts and other moving parts. John Rogers of the John Rogers Co., Atlanta, and Jenkins Automotive Parts Service, Columbia, S. C., have just purchased these machines also.

Production of passenger cars may fall short of demand in 1953, but it's going to depend on if and how soon metals controls are removed by Uncle Sam. Industry leaders have been anticipating turning out 5.000.000 units. Some

forecasters have estimated the demand would be 5,500,000. Initial allocations of materials for the first quarter of '53 were disappointing, but manufacturers held high hopes for supplemental authorizations. Production for this year is expected to approximate 4,350,000 before the New Year's bells ring.

"Boss" Kettering, GM's great scientist, told the annual convention of the American Automobile Association recently that a crop grown on an acre of land would furnish enough fuel to run an automobile for three years. Experiments with crops are under way. Two and a half tons of inflammable carbon can be made available from each acre of the crop. "Boss" did not say how long it would be before a motorist could grow his own fuel, but research is continuing, he reported. Maybe one of these days we'll find a use for a discarded Christmas tree!



The official spokesman for America's businessmen asks



How Much Government

By LAURENCE F. LEE

President
Chamber of Commerce of the United States

In presidential years, our thinking frequently becomes entangled in the briar patch of emotion. Our thoughts are lured down rabbit trails by our likes or dislikes for competing candidates. Personalities dominate the political landscape.

Secondary issues assume a stature out of all proportion to their base significance. Primary issues are sometimes swept beneath the rug by the broom of generalities. Our hearts tend to monitor our heads.

But the election is over. We should be in the clear now to appraise the future with candor and dispassion. We have chosen a new President and a new Congress. But we did not settle the fundamental issue of our times.

The issue remains.

Broadly put, the issue is: Socialism or competitive capitalism?

The election in November could not resolve this issue. No one election could resolve this issue. No change in faces in Washington will frighten it away.

For good, in some cases, or for bad, in certain others, the federal government today is deeply enmeshed, if not permanently entrenched, in our economy. There are more civilians on the federal payroll today than the total population of the original 13 colonies in 1776.

It is often good to employ government as an agent for all the people in performance of chores beyond our individual or group capacity. This practice is not new. It has a long record of success. Under the Homestead Acts of the 19th century, government, as an agent, served us all and served us well. This contributed to the vitality of our competitive capitalism which must expand to live.

It is always bad to hand government the power of decision that should rest with the free market. Price controls are a latter-day example. The bureaucracy in charge has substantially ignored profits as an incentive to produce, but approved wage and tax increases. It has contrived to force the manufacturer, supplier, distributor, and retailer to absorb these costs. It by-passed the simple economic truth that competition in the market place inspires production, at-

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tracts the consumer, and keeps prices at levels that are fair to all. Price controls are among the favorite usages of socialism.

Most businessmen, by the very nature of their work, recognize the difference between government in the role of agent and government as a decision-maker. Give government too free a hand in the role of agent, and the traditional relationship of the people as master and government as servant can easily be reversed.

There is a definite peril point. This is not understood by millions of our people, and the apostles of socialism in America encourage this confusion in every way they

In the course of 20 years, we, as a people, have become vulnerable to the blandishments of socialism.

Nothing but a change in the attitude of many millions of Americans can insure us against a slow disintegration of our competitive capitalism as socialism inches its way into our economy, propelled by tireless missionaries.

Two generations have known nothing else but paternalistic government—the generation that came of age in the nineteen thirties and the generation that came of age this year. One generation remembers the bleak days of the depression and—with many and notable exceptions, of course—has been taught to believe that "Washington" pulled us back to prosperity. The other generation ac-

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cepts "big government" as a natural element in our society.

Regardless of how they may have voted in November or what prompted them to make their choice of candidates or party, both generations-again allowing for innumerable exceptions-are conditioned to accept a major role for government in the national economic drama.

Both political parties have been infiltrated by men who do not call themselves socialists, but who believe in socialism. They are aware that we will never buy socialism under that name at the ballot box, so they avoid the tag. They profess aversion to government ownership of industry. But they avidly crusade to make private ownership eventually impossible.

They hope to have a field day if we experience a post-mobilization readjustment period in our economy as presently seems likely. All the old socialistic sleepers will be trotted from the stables. There will be a loud, new hue and cry for federalized housing, federalized education, federalized medicine. The socializers will clamor for a new WPA, ten times the size of the 1933 model.

Old untruths about the usages of government will be repeated, and we will hear a host of new ones-all calculated to instill the idea that our economy cannot provide for its people without government at the steering wheel. If the people buy these falsehoods, no president and no congress can save free enterprise.

It behooves the business community to anticipate the socializers. The socializers have an Achilles heel. Facts can hamstring them. But not unless these facts are dif-

fused at the community leveland not unless the facts are couched in crystal clear language, easily grasped.

The businessman must constitute himself an individual center of initiative to knock down the untruths of socialism with the unadorned facts, but that is merely half his obligation. The other half consists of translating the facts into the language of his own Main Street. This kind of leadership is not simple, but it is a plain case of "lead or be led to liquidation."

LET US consider a few of the socializers' favorite untrue and misleading statements and balance the untrue with the fact:

1. Untrue. Federal government devices "cured" the depression of the nineteen thirties. Federal government "solved" the unemployment problem. Therefore, more government is a good thing.

Fact. In 1933, unemployment was estimated in excess of 11 million. Seven years and billions of tax dollars later, there were still about 8 million unemployed. Meanwhile, one government device



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after another had thwarted the efforts of private industry to develop new markets, expand the industrial plant, and create new jobs. The benzedrine of war and remobilization stimulated our seemingly prosperous times.

2. Untrue. The Federal Housing Administration has benefited many people, so we ought to have a full-scale, all-out federal-aid-tohousing setup.

Fact. An FHA mortgage involves no government money. Businessmen should not assume that every one knows this fact. A surprising number of people do not know that FHA is essentially a selfsupporting mutual insurance fund covering private loans operated by the federal government only as agent. The income from the insurance charges paid as part of the regular payments is more than sufficient to meet all costs of administration as well as losses. FHA has helped to make the home mortgage a nationally negotiable instrument. This has facilitated the flow of home financing credit from areas of surplus to areas of

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THIS TEXAS DEALER SOLVED THE PROBLEM OF

More Space at Modest Cost

A PERFECT solution to the problem of the new-car dealer who has outgrown his plant has been evolved, according to Fred C. Rollins of El Paso, Texas, and he submits his version of the solution for the use of dealers suffering from growing pains.

Rollins, a Lincoln-Mercury dealer, ran out of room for expansion and the necessary functions of a dealership as, he says, all dealers

do sooner or later.

He bought a piece of property two miles from the original dealership. There he erected what he designates as a "production unit," a pre-fab type of building, 65 by 240 feet. Costs have gone up since then, but even so, this "production unit" can be duplicated today for six dollars a square foot, Rollins contends, and that includes permanent facilities, such as a specially-treated, grease-resistant concrete floor and electric wiring.

"It is the perfect answer to the problem which will always beset dealers, sooner or later," Rollins contends.

"My father was in the new-car business before me. He always told me that an automobile dealer was forever running out of room in which to grow. And he warned me against building what he called a A production unit like this can be built for about 5é a square foot.

> By Baron Creager Southwestern Editor

'shrine' and weakening my financial structure thereby. What he meant was that I should not build a huge, costly plant, just for the prestige involved.

"I never forgot that advice and it was instrumental in incubating my idea for the production unit. To this building we have moved many activities of the dealership."

In this production unit are centralized all new-car make-ready, all used-car reconditioning, all body repair. One trimmer is kept busy in the production unit where, also, are the undercoating department, used-car polishing, radio and speedometer repair department, steam cleaning and washing and two lube racks.

"All sheet metal parts are stored there, too," Rollins points out. "The whole operation is under supervision of what we call a production foreman. He could hardly be a service manager, for his duties are too varied.

"Twenty-five people work here, there are 25 productive stalls and six of the stalls are provided with exhaust facilities.

"Except for display purposes, we hardly ever see a new car at the main plant. New cars are unloaded and go direct to the production unit, from which they are delivered.

"We have a separate establishment for used-car sales. In fact, there are three units in this operation, one each for new cars, used cars and general production. But the used-car unit makes no attempt to handle used-car conditioning, this being done entirely by the production unit.

"This production unit has solved our problem, without excessive cost. I recommend it as the perfect answer, for a production unit, removed from the dealership proper, that seems to have one outstanding economic advantage. If business should go sour, I could retrench, without being very obvious about it, by closing down the production unit. It is not generally known that the production unit is part of the Rollins Motor Co."

Before Rollins built his produc-



Used cars are displayed inside at Rollins' as befits new cars,

tion unit, coincidence made it possible for him to create an exclusive used-car unit and realize his desire to give interior "jewelrystore display" to the high-quality used cars taken in trade.

A block from the main unit of the dealership, a brick building was internally destroyed by fire. Rollins had been investigating other locations as possible solutions of his used-ear location problem. After the fire he learned that the business occupying the building had been wiped out, that the property was for sale. He bought and rebuilt.

The result is a structure with 120 feet of front, mostly plate glass, 150 feet of depth, on a lot 120 feet front by 260 deep. This leaves a storage lot, 120 by 110. And one cut-away corner permits

limited outside display, considered so essential by used-car operators. Inside, the display space, on two levels, permits showroom-type parking for 22 used cars.

"This also solves some problems," Rollins stipulated.

"For one thing, I was never happy with the idea of displaying fine used cars, of quality and character such as we take in, out in the open. Used cars such as ours, completely reconditioned in every respect, deserve the best display. So we installed lighting that gives these used cars what I call 'jewelry-store display.'

"An exclusive used-car unit gives us much better control over used cars. The only time a used car goes out is for a definite demonstration, as we don't loan used cars to customers. This elimi-

nates the high mileage that often builds up on a used car while in stock. And the second and third reconditioning is a thing of the past with us."

Rollins called attention to the fact that only the front two-thirds of the building is used for display and storage, that the corner cutout permits him to capitalize from the "draw" of outside display, and that his used cars, when reconditioned, are equipped with prime rubber.

The Rollins Motor Co., with parts sales in excess of \$40,000 a month at retail, is second among principal cities in Lincoln-Mercury parts sales and 17th among all metropolitan dealers.

It has been pointed out repeatedly by alert dealers at their conventions in the South and Southwest that the competitive selling job lying ahead—maybe by mid-1953 or earlier—will demand that the overhead dollar be watched closer than in many years, so far as many dealers are concerned.

One way to hold down this expense dollar is to make certain that every building does its job of costing a minimum while permitting a maximum of service and sales volume to go on within its confines.

Some frankly-speaking factory sales chiefs have pointed out this fact to conventions in the South in the last few years.

One general sales manager even went so far as to say that he had visited one of his dealer's formal opening of a handsome new building and remarked that he had told the dealer he trusted the structure would not prove to be a monument to his failure to watch dollars spent on construction.

This is the used-car department, exterior view, at Rollins'. Note treatment as if new cars.



"Sax" Lloyd Tells

How '53 Looks As I See It

By J. Saxton Lloyd
President, National Automobile Dealers Association



THERE is no reason why the autonobile 'business generally should not be good in 1953. But the competition, I believe, will be just a little less than fierce.

The stepped-up armaments program assures that industry and business will move along at a brisk clip through next year, at least. And from the looks of things, it could maintain this high level for unnumbered years to come.

The greatest problems which will face dealers during 1953 will occur in the last six months of the year, in my opinion. This is evidenced if by no other factor than the record of the past several years. Our biggest problems seem to arise after the mid-year point is reached.

What are some of the problems that loom dead ahead of us?

One of the biggest seems to be this:

If the automobile production estimates are attained, I believe dealers will be hard-pressed to sell their cars at a profit. Then, too, I feel that the used-car business in 1953 will be far more competitive than we have observed it at any time since World War II. And I believe that the relationship between new and used cars will reach a level more nearly approaching the pre-war ratio.

Furthermore, the new year will offer one of the most pointed challenges of this era to the new-car and -truck dealer. He must exercise a high degree of skill in managing his business. It is difficult for me to believe that the "absentee" dealer will be able to stand up against a competitor who's on the job—figuratively and literally—every day.

Like all businessmen, the automobile retailer will presumably be doing business in a changed governmental climate. Under these circumstances, it is to be hoped that business generally will have a program for prosperity based upon private enterprise which will prove once and for all that we are

not dependent upon paternalistic props.

The development of this nation's economy has virtually eliminated a majority of "hometown" commercial enterprises. The automobile dealer is the last independent merchant doing a volume of business comparable to that of the largest stores and other commercial establishments in his community.

This makes him a real representative of "small business," tremendously important in his community's affairs. No community in America would be as well off without its automobile dealers.

So—entering one of their most competitive years—dealers fall into two categories.

The dealer who survives the approaching competitive battle will do whatever is necessary to obtain high fixed coverage of his expenses. He must give special attention to his service and parts departments, making sure that no profit opportunities are overlooked.

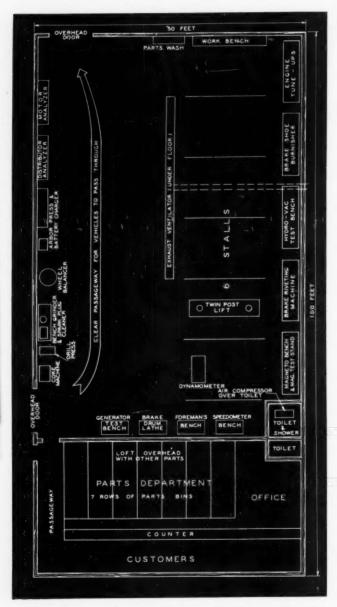
If he fails in this responsibility, then he will be the prey of "shoestring operators" who are of no credit either to our industry nor the manufacturers they represent.

I am firmly convinced that the dealer who has a high fixed expense and low fixed coverage will be a certain mortality in the year of 1953.

It seems to me that dealers nationally have done a better job during the last year than ever be-Continued on page 82)

At 44, "Sax" Lloyd is one of the best-known automobile dealers in the country. A native of Savannah, Ga., he began his career in the service department of the Buick agency at Daytona Beach, Fla. He was secretary-treasurer of Daytona Motor Co. when it was organized in 1930 and became owner in 1938. In the first eight months of his NADA presidency, he traveled 50,000 miles, spoke to scores of meetings, took a leading part in the fight against Regulation W and spoke out for better highways.

Sales Doubled in Two Years in



This building plan represents the culmination of a 35-year dream for its Kentucky owner. In the former building, mechanics got in each other's way because of crowded conditions. The additional space made it possible to install more labor-saving equipment, lined up against the walls. An exhaust ventilator is under floor. Traffic flows by entering side front door and going out back door.

New Building

By Ross L. Holman

"This building is the culmination of a 35-year dream," said O. L. Kirk as he looked over the conveniences included in the structure that now houses Kirk's Auto Electric, Inc., Bowling Green, Ky.

His present building has enough square footage and labor-saving equipment so that he and his mechanics can turn out the jobs with less elbow grease and with more elbow room. In the smaller building he occupied until two years ago, mechanics often got in each other's way because of crowded conditions.

The new equipment, gadgets and the size of the operation resulted from the lessons learned in 35 years of repairing cars.

The 100' by 50' structure is arranged so vehicles can drive in one door and out the other without backing, turning or maneuvering in such close quarters that there is danger of bumping into something. There is enough room to keep the pass-through aisle clear.

Overhead doors at the entrance and exit are 13', 8" high to accommodate trucks as well as cars.

In addition to enough room on the inside, there is ample parking space outside the building, which faces a main highway on the outskirts of Bowling Green. The lot runs all the way through to the next street so vehicles can park all around the building on four sides.

"Since moving into this new location about two years ago, I have doubled my volume," Kirk said. "I have more room for labor-saving machines and the proper space to place them for easy accessibility." His garage service includes brakes of all types, engine work and electrical work. There are machines to handle all phases of this work.

Among the equipment is a twinpost lift. He didn't have one at the former location and its installation saves him 25 per cent on labor, he estimates. There is also a chain block that works all the way across the shop on a front beam.

Near the entrance is a dynamometer to give inside road tests on cars at simulated road speeds and to save time in such checkups.

Under the floor is an exhaust ventilator that rids the garage of fumes that would slow down operation, if allowed to remain in the

Most of the servicing equipment is lined against the walls. This relieves a lot of congestion in the center and gives enough room for the free movement of cars to and from the stalls.

There are six stalls serviced by five mechanics, with enough additional floor space to park four more cars without blocking the passthrough driveway from entrance to exit.

Each of the six stalls leads into one of the servicing machines lining the way. The car that needs a certain machine is placed in that stall.

A look at the arrangement of the equipment around the walls gives a better idea of how Kirk used the available space—how he has installed so much equipment and yet left enough space for his mechanics to work without jostling one another for room.

Every modern labor-saving machine for which a garage operator can find room cuts down on labor cost, the highest operational cost of any garage. If a machine permits three men to do the work four could do without the machine, then those three and the shop owner will make more, if they are working on a percentage-of-labor plan.

Presenting another example in the series of garage buildings tested for their worth.

"One reason we have doubled our volume in this new building," said Kirk, "is because our customers, after seeing the set-up, know we can handle more work than we could take care of in the old location and handle it more rapidly and efficiently.

"We are now getting all the work we can do and our mechanics are busy all day long. In the old building, where we were doing only half our present volume, we had quite a bit of idle time because many car owners knew we couldn't handle their work as efficiently as a better-equipped shop."

One improvement that enables his personnel to perform at top efficiency is the installation of overhead gas heaters and coolers. He has one of these units at the front end of the shop and another at the rear. They keep the shop comfortably warm in winter and pleasantly cool in summer.

Every garage owner knows how work slows down when mechanics are sweltering or shivering because of the weather. During the heat wave last summer, when outside temperatures ran from 94° to 105°, the temperature in Kirk's shop rarely rose above 75°. Naturally, any garage operator who

can provide such comfortable working conditions can hire the most efficient mechanics.

The shop has a more abundant use of daylight and there are two rows of lights from front to rear.

The temperature controls and the lighting provide not only better working conditions for mechanies but an attraction for customers as well

Another feature that impresses every customer driving over the threshold is the cleanliness of the shop. This has a special appeal for lady motorists.

The shop occupies about twothirds of the building, with the third that is toward the front containing the office and parts section. Keeping an ample supply of parts is another practice that speeds mechanical work.

A window opens from the parts section into the shop so any needed part can be handed to a mechanic who calls for it. The parts section has an overhead loft for additional storage.

Besides keeping parts for his own use, Kirk is service distributor for several lines in his area.

Clarence Kirk, the owner's son, now handles a lot of the responsibility in his dual capacity of secretary and shop foreman.

Use of space, as well as the amount of space, is an important feature of this Kentucky building.



November 27, 1952.

Mr. Joe G. Burns 20 Country Club Hills Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Dear Mr. Burns:

We want to take this opportunity of expressing to you our sincere appreciation for the business you have given us. In your wise choice of a new 1952 Buick, you are now the proud owner of AMERICA'S FINEST MOTOR CAR.

We urge you at all times to make LEICH BUICK, INC., head-quarters for your sutomotive needs.

Again, we are glad to include you among our many satisfied Butck owners and wish to thank you for having dealt with us.

Yours sincerely,

LEIGH BUICK, INC.,

RTL:dr

Robert T. Leigh President

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November 26, 1952.

Mr. Calvin H. Prown 1527-23rd Avenue Tuscaloosa, Alabama

Dear Mr. Brown:

We want to take this opportunity of expressing to you our sincere appreciation for the business you have given us.

We sincerely hope that your purchase of one of our "Better Used Cars" will give you many miles of trouble free motoring.

We urge you at all times to make LEICH MUICK, INC., headquarters for your automotive needs.

Again, we are glad to include you among our many satisfied customers and wish to thank you for having dealt with us.

Yours sincerely,

LEIGH BUICK, INC.,

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dividends from "Thank You" Letters

RESULTS from simply-written letters of thanks have easily justified their continuance as a means of maintaining friendly relations between car purchasers and Leigh Buick, Inc., Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Said President Robert T. Leigh of these individually-typed letters (samples at left):

"One man said he had bought seven new cars and this was the first time he had received a letter of appreciation from a dealer.

"A couple of used-car buyers came in and said they appreciated the letter.

"One University of Alabama student said he appreciated the letter on his used-car purchase and told me "Since the war, dealers have forgotten about things like this."

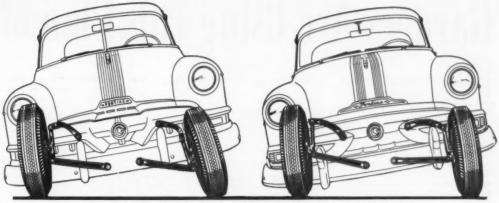
"A judge told me he appreciated the new-car letter when he came back in for a set of seat covers."

Leigh, a former General Motors factory official, then added:

"We're going to continue to send out these letters on every deal we make. I feel that I can put my finger on more direct results in doing this than any other media I have used."

Experts and non-experts alike are predicting that by mid-1953 dealers will be searching for prospects. Will you, by your past actions, have an inside track to many potential buyers?





Reduction in wheel tilt is shown by comparing 1952 model (left) with the '53.

Pontiac Revamps Suspension

66 CURVE Control" front suspension, optional power steering and a power increase in the six-cylinder engine to 118 horsepower at 3,800 rpm are some of the major mechanical changes in the 1953 Pontiac models.

Although the new suspension looks much the same as the previous knee action, lever length and pivot point locations have been changed to provide better action on curves. The roll camber has been modified by this front-end geometry revision.

The natural tendency of the front wheels to steer themselves in a direction opposite to the

direction of car travel is substantially reduced by the new suspension, company engineers said. Hence, less steering effort is required to negotiate a turn. Since the inclination of the wheel causes it to follow the curve more closely, the need to over-steer, and thereby cause tires to scrub or skid, is minimized.

The over-all steering ratio has been increased from 22:1 in 1952 to 25:1. Steering gear has been modified to permit greater roller travel and the steering gear housing has been lowered slightly, while pitman arm shaft has been shortened.

Along with the new camber setup, another change has been made to improve ride. The entire front suspension, including control arms, steering knuckle supports and frame members, has been tilted approximately four degrees to the rear of the vehicle. This makes the unit better able to absorb the type of impact imparted on bumpy or rough roads.

Wheelbase has been increased from 120" to 122" and shockabsorber valving has been modified to give better control.

The optional power steering is a hydraulic device utilizing a pump driven by a pulley from the crankshaft to supply valve-controlled oil pressure to a booster piston which is linked to, and thereby turns, the pitman steering shaft through a separate set of gears.

The increase in power of the six-cylinder engine has been accomplished by duplex carburetion with a new intake manifold, new camshaft, more compact combustion chambers and electroplated aluminum pistons. The carburetion system was introduced on the 1952 eight-cylinder engine.

A number of refinements have been made in the electrical system.

Eleven body styles with increased vision and other design changes for greater comfort are available in the 1953 series.

Longer wheelbase and increased vision mark the 1953 bodies.



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Garages Are Using This Plan of

INDEPENDENT repairmen in some areas of Alabama are finding a plan of financing repairs for their customers-arranged by aggressive parts wholesalers-is enabling them to build up their volume and, frequently, take on big jobs which otherwise they couldn't handle.

For example, in the 12 months since the plan was first promoted \$135,000 worth of repairs has been financed, it was estimated by President P. J. "Pete" Sawyer of

miles southwest from Anniston, seized hold of the plan quickly, as evidenced by \$2,000 in repairs being financed the first two weeks in October after the kick-off ad was announced to the public in a

local newspaper, reported Ed and Harry Siegal, partners in Automotive Parts Co.

What does a repair-shop operator have to do in order to get going under the plan? First, it can be ar-

ranged anywhere that the jobber has taken the initial steps with a finance office which is aware of the satisfactory profit possibilities of promoting such a program. It's a plan in which specialty repair



Financing

shops as well as general repair shops can participate.

But, to get back to the exact details of the plan as worked out in several Alabama cities, including Anniston, Tuscaloosa and Birmingham, as well as in some other Southern cities, here's approximately how the program has been inaugurated so simply and so successfully:

The jobber explains the general idea of the plan to a local finance company which seems to be interested. Usually some finance company in a city will be interested when told that the plan is this simple:

A car owner drives in for work which may run from \$50 to several hundred dollars. The garageman

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50,00	16.50	63.00	6.50	65.00	5.55	66,60	
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70.00	14.70	88.20	8.95	89.50	7.50	90.00	
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190.00	39.90	239.40	24.15	241.50	20.70	248.40	
200.00	41.80	250.80	25.45	254.50	21.65	259.80	
220.00	46.20	277.20	28.25	282.50	24.00	288.00	
240.00	50.40	302.40	30.70	307.00	25.80	309.60	
300.00	62.60	375.60	37.90	379.00	32.30	387.60	
350.00	73.50	441.00	44.80	448.00	37.60	451.20	
400.00	83.25	499.50	50.30	503.00	43.35	520.30	
480.00	94.60	567.60	57.65	576.50	48.20	578.40	

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fills in the credit application reproduced with this article. The information is telephoned to the jobber, who in turn phones it to the finance company. Some finance companies require the car to be listed as security and others ask for a lien on furniture or some other paid-up assets. One big company requires only a personal note, once the man's credit has shown up as being good and an investigation revealed his income sufficient to meet the monthly payments without too much strain.

The finance company may phone the jobber or the garage. The job-

CREDIT APPLICATION

GARAGE: RICHARD ROE GARAGE DATE: 11/20/52

NAME: LEON DOE

ADDRESS: I ROE ST. CITY: TUSCA. PHONE: 6602

OCCUPATION: LABORER EMPLOYER: LITY OF TUSCA.

YEAR: 47 MAKE PY BODY: MOTOR No.

WHERE FINANCED: HOE MOTORS

AMOUNT OF REPAIRS: \$80 € PAYMENTS: /2
CREDIT REFERENCES:

(1) JONES FINANCE CO.

(2) DOAKS FURNITURE CO.

(3) FRITZ'S GROCERY STORE

ber or the garageman then advises the car owner to come in for the work. Frequently the whole process requires only an hour or so at most, depending greatly on whether the credit references are available immediately.

"We found that some garage operators were failing to notify the credit applicants, so we have been mailing a form letter to the applicants telling them they have been approved," said Sawyer "The result has been that far more repairs have been financed than previously."

Various plans for advertising the program have been adopted, but usually they call for the garage owner, jobber and, sometimes, the finance company to pay a small percentage of the repair dollar volume into a kitty for newspaper

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CERTIFIED AUTOMOBILE REBUILDER

DATE 11/21/52

NAME LEON DOE

Amazon I ROE STREET

DW MR. DOE:

We are kappy to inform you that your application for financing the repair or material for your car has been approved for the sum of \$...80%

We will be looking forward to serving you and your automobile needs. We would like you to note that we have only 30 days in which to honor your approval without making a new application.

We thank you for your business.

. Yours very truly,

Building Truck Service with Parts Control

By Beatrice Miller

Parts Manager William B. Acken of the Prevo Automotive Center, Alexandria, Va., knows trucks and truck parts so well and can make such sound recommendations to truckers on the parts they will need in coming months, that the sales volume gain in parts has been 500 per cent for the July '51 - June '52 period over July '50 - June '51 period.

Owner George M. Stone attributes the gain solely to Acken's thoroughgoing knowledge of trucks and parts, competence in handling the \$15,000 inventory and its records, alert promotion of parts with truckers and in his skill in training a new parts counterman.

"This business has been here for years, on the same location, offering the same services, but it was not until Mr. Acken took over that the parts department made the tremendous strides it has," commented Stone, who wants to place his parts manager in the sales field.

Acken himself modestly disclaims the superior qualities attributed to him, but does have some basic beliefs in how a good parts department should be staffed and run.

At the top of the list he underscores carrying the parts that truckers need.

"Your parts manager has to know trucks and their operation so well that he can foresee the parts that will wear, the parts that he will get a big demand for," stated Acken, who has been working on International trucks for almost 25 years. "Keep stocked in those parts and don't let yourself run out of them."

Acken does not overlook slowermoving parts which he considers essential to good service. Right now he is steadily building up a selective slow-moving parts stock that will be profitable and add immeasurably to service and volume.

"The vital arm of a good parts department is the accuracy of its inventory-control system," Acken pointed out. "A parts department can either make or break your service. If you cannot give service in the stockroom, your parts department is not going to do much for sales. And if you are going to give that good service, your inventory card guide should serve as an accurate index and signal to what's on hand and what will shortly be out."

The parts department has a complete sales picture on each item. The card records stock part number, name of part, where used, number ordered, date, sales and date, and carries a current balance.

From his knowledge of trucks and their needs, Acken has worked out a minimum and maximum quantity on each part. When items get low, he blue tags a card for reordering on a stock order. If an item approaches a minimum, he red tabs the card for prompt reordering. Acken does all the parts buying.

"In order to give the kind of good service our parts department should give, special orders that will bring the part in the next morning from Baltimore are essential," he added. "You cannot tie up your customers' vehicles for lack of a part.

"On an important part, regardless of price, we have it air-mail or air freight within two to three days."

For the first six months of '52 parts sales volume ran 100 per cent over quotas set by the factory. May '52 sales ran 163 per cent over quotas.

"A good source of sales is preparing your customers for the parts they will need in coming months," he pointed out. "A majority of parts sold are due to breakdowns. Avoid the breakdown by knowing the parts that shortly will wear out and cause your customer to come in. Customers

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"The parts department can either make or break your service," says W. B. Acken, who is credited by his boss for an increase of 500 per cent in parts sales during the past year. He buys all the parts



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An improved front suspension and redesigned rear springs give a more comfortable ride by smoothing bumps and helping to control side-sway.

'53 Ford Cars Feature Improved Suspension

IMPROVEMENTS in the suspension system to smooth out bumps and control side-sway on turns are among the major mechanical changes in the 1953 Fords, introduced this month.

The system uses new front suspension rubber compression bumpers and new support plates designed to permit greater up-and-down movement of front wheels and to give softer limiting action to the front suspension when the springs are compressed sufficiently to put the bumpers into play.

These bumpers are small, coneshaped rubber pucks or stops that act as bumpers between each front-wheel control arm and the chassis frame.

Because of the increased upand-down movement of the front suspension over rough roads, a great deal of the road shock is absorbed in the suspension and not carried on through the frame into the car.

Ford engineers have revalved the viscous-control front shock absorbers to give a softer, controlled action. And the diagonally mounted rear shocks have been revalved for the same reason.

Rear springs have been redesigned to assure closer production maintenance of desired flexibility. This provides better over-all ride balance. New one-piece fabric spring inserts provide larger damping surface and a reported 200per-cent increase in insert life.

Another advantage of the new suspension is the safety factor provided by the frame protection given on rough roads. Frames for the Mainline and Customline sedans and coupes are of the K-bar type with five cross members attached to box-section side rails forming a ladder-type frame. The K-bar is formed by the third cross

member and two diagonal struts.

Both the Strato-Star V-8 engine, producing 110 horsepower and with a 7.2 to one compression ratio, and the Mileage Maker Six, rated at 101 horsepower and with a seven to one compression ratio, are available for the 1953 models. The six-cylinder, which has free-turning overhead valves, was introduced on the 1952 model. Both engines are designed to operate on regular gasoline.

A layer of sound-deadening glass-fiber lining has been placed under the hood of the 1953 models to add to driving comfort.

The clutch and brake pedals are suspended from above to do away with floor holes, keep the brake cylinder away from road mud and dust and provide unobstructed floor space for the driver.

Fordomatic Drive, overdrive and tinted glass for windshield and windows are extra-cost options on the 1953 models.

Front seats have a fore-and-aft adjustment of 4.1". During the adjustment the seat cushion rises ½" while the seat back tilts forward 1.8" to accommodate shorter drivers. Both front and rear seats have a foam-rubber seat pad over springs.

Three lines are offered in 1953: Mainline, Customline and Crestline. Both the six and the eight engine are available on all models in the Mainline and Customline except the country sedan, which has the eight only. The eight is used on the Crestline convertible, hardtop and station wagon.

A variety of one-tone and twotone color combinations is featured on the different models.

A new grille design, oblong parking lights set low and a wrap-around center bar highlight front-end styling. Taillights are restyled too.





NEWS BRIEFS of the

Better Dealer Relations Are Goal, NADA's Chamberlain Says in N. C.

**CTHE dealers in this country are working toward a two-point objective program," Ray Chamberlain, convention and exhibition manager of the National Automobile Dealers Association, told members of the North Carolina Automobile Dealers Association assembled for the area chairmen meeting in Raleigh recently.

These objectives are improved national-affairs relations and better industry relations, he said.

"National affairs are the relationship between dealers and their government with its various bureaus and agencies," he said. "Industry relations, of course, concern dealings between automobile retailers and the factories.

"The national association has geared every phase of its operation and the work of every committee to improving the dealers' position in each of these fields of en-

Chamberlain spoke of the strides made by automobile dealers since the early days of the industry.

Dr. Charles F. Caroll, superintendent of public instruction for North Carolina, spoke to the group on the establishment of a statewide, state-financed driver-training program.

Captain L. R. Fisher, commissioner of motor vehicles, discussed a proposed vehicle-inspection law that is to be considered at the 1953 General Assembly.

Battery Men Name Sommerville

R. L. Sommerville, The Electric Storage Battery Co., was elected president of the Association of American Battery Manufacturers at its fall meeting in Chicago. HALOOLV'S

"Sometimes people buy 15 gallons of gas and want their 15 Cokes." said George Malooly of El Paso, Texas, when asked about his practice of giving a Coke with every gallon of gas. "If they can't drink them all at the station, they put up a deposit for the bottles." Some customers don't want even one Coke, but it all adds up to about 400 cases a month. Malooly doesn't expect to make money from gasoline this way but the idea is to get people into his two stations, and if works. He has averaged about 70,000 gallons of gas a month since the signs went up a year ago, he reported.

Officers of the Orlando (Fla.) Automobile and Truck Dealers Association are (l. to r.): President J. M. Collins, Price-Collins Motors, Inc. (Studebaker): R. W. "Dick" Simpson, DeSoto-Plymouth, vice-president; W. D. Ray, International Trucks, treasurer; Frank Wright, Willys, past president, and Lewis W. Zoller, executive secretary.



200,000 People Expected For St. Louis Show

A TTENDANCE at the St. Louis Automobile Show, to be held Jan. 31-Feb. 8 at Kiel Auditorium, is expected to reach 200,000, C. F. McClure, chairman of the executive show committee, predicted last month.

Eighteen spaces have been assigned to car-line exhibitors, providing for display of approximately 100 new cars.

"From all indications this show, the first since 1940, will exceed any show held in the past and will prove a great sales stimulant in transportation," McClure said.

AUTOMOTIVE ____ - INDUSTRY



General Motors Will Award \$194,000 For Ideas on Solving Road "Muddle"

ENERAL Motors Corp. has of-Gered \$194,000 in cash awards for the best ideas to get America's highway and traffic system "out of the muddle."

The prizes are being posted in a national essay contest in an effort to stimulate "more nation-wide thinking, discussion and understanding of the facts of our cur-rent highway requirements," said C. E. Wilson, president.

Known as the General Motors Better Highways Awards, the competition is open to any resident of the United States, except contest judges and their immediate families.

State Prizes Offered

One hundred sixty-two national. regional and state prizes will be offered to winners, topped by a \$25,000 first place national award. Second place national winner will receive \$10,000; third place nationally, \$5,000; and three national honorable mentions will get \$3,000 each.

In addition, General Motors will offer nine awards of \$2,500 each for the best essays submitted from nine regional areas of the entire country.

First place winners in each of the 48 states plus the District of Columbia will receive \$1,500 each. Two honorable mention awards for each state and the District of Columbia will be \$500 each, a total of 98 state honorable men-

The essay subject will be: "How to Plan and Pay for the Safe and Adequate Roads we Need."

Officially underway November 11, the contest closes at midnight March 1. Awards will be announced as soon as possible thereafter.

Entry blanks may be obtained at any General Motors car or truck dealership or by writing to General Motors Better Highways Awards, General Motors Building, Detroit 2, Mich.

With each blank a prospective contestant will receive a Better Highways Awards Fact Book. This not only contains contest rules but also outlines basic statistics and facts about the nation's over-all highway problem.

Wilson emphasized that essays will not be judged on literary merit. Rather, criteria will be the essay's originality, sincerity and practical adaptability.

While brevity is suggested, no limitation is placed on the length of the essay. Each contestant may submit any supporting data believed necessary to document his presentation - graphs, charts, drawings, photographs, estimates or other illustrations.

Essays will be judged by a contest board. Five men well-known in their respective fields have accepted positions on this board. The judges include:

Ned H. Dearborn, president of the National Safety Council; Thomas H. MacDonald, commissioner of the Bureau of Public Roads of the U.S. Department of Commerce: Curtis W. McGraw. president and chairman of the board of the McGraw-Hill Publishing Co.; Dr. Robert Sproul, president of the University of California, and B. D. Tallamy, superintendent of the New York State Department of Public Works and president of the American Association of State Highway Of-

North Carolinian Heads **Finance Conference**

E. P. "ED" Latimer, president, American Discount Co. of Georgia, Charlotte, N. C., was elected president of the American Finance Conference at its annual convention held in Chicago last month.

Latimer, who was vice-president during the past year, succeeds R. Earl O'Keefe, president, Co., Southwestern Investment Amarillo, Texas, O'Keefe was elected chairman of the executive committee of the group.

An inexpensive, prominently-displayed mileage sign saves time for station personnel and makes a favorable impression on customers. Ernest F. Godlove of Cardin and Johnson, El Paso, Texas, has found. Tourists see and read the chart instead of bothering the man at the pump with so many questions about mileage," he said.



Association of Garagemen Condemns Certain Discounts and Co-op Plans

Resolutions dealing with certain cooperative parts sales plans and with parts discounts on insurance claims have been adopted by the executive committee of the National Automotive Maintenance Association.

Attempts are being made to get independent garagemen to participate in plans to sell automotive parts on a cooperative basis under the label of an association that is primarily a front for merchandising these parts, Guy N. Cummings, executive secretary of NAMA, said. Experience has shown that such a plan is not practical, he said.

The resolution said that NAMA was "unanimously and unalterably opposed to any cooperative parts sales plans of any nature that might in any way become detrimental to the best interests of the automotive jobber and thereby work hardships on the independent garagemen. It is our firm intention to bring the parts jobber and the independent garagemen closer together so they may continue to do business in harmonious relationship."

The second resolution dealt with the practice of automobile insurance companies and insurance claim adjusting agencies of demanding discounts on parts used in connection with the repair of cars covered by their insurance. Some independent repair shops, especially body shops, are being forced out of business as a result of the discounts demanded, it was stated

The executive committee resolved "to address this earnest plea to all such departments and/or agencies to cease seeking and demanding parts discounts to the end that all such repair business may be put on a sound and equitable basis that can react only to the benefit of all concerned."

Copies of this resolution were to be sent to insurance companies.

Alabama and Georgia Pass Anti-Diversion

In the recent elections Alabama and Georgia approved anti-diversion amendments to their constitutions by substantial majorities. Along with Arizona, which also approved such an amendment last month, this brings to 24 the number of states which have such amendments.

In Alabama and Georgia this will add considerably to funds available for highway purposes, according to the National Highway Users Conference. Over the past ten years, Alabama has diverted \$15,509,000, while Georgia has diverted \$87,526,000, according to NHUC reports.

In 1951 alone, Alabama diverted \$2,425,000 from highway purposes and Georgia diverted \$6,645,000, the NHUC said.

Inventor Dies in Florida

William Norman Booth, 86, inventor of the automobile spoke and the demountable-rim automobile wheel, died last month at West Palm Beach, Fla. Formerly chief engineer and vice-president of the Kelsey-Hayes Wheel Co., he moved to Lake Worth, Fla., about four years ago.

Charlestonians Name Altman

J. J. Altman, Cadillac, has been reelected president of the Charleston (S. C.) Automobile Dealers Association. William M. Scramm, DeSoto-Plymouth, is vice-president and C. H. Paul, Lincoln-Mercury, is secretary-treasurer.



Feb. 14-18 — Annual convention of National Automobile Dealers Association, Civic Auditorium, San Francisco, Calif. March 9-10 — Annual convention of

Louisiana Automobile Dealers Association, Jung Hotel, New Orleans.
March 26-29—Southwest Automotive
Show, Fair Park, Dallas, Texas.
May 4-5—Annual convention of Missouri Automobile Dealers Associa-

tion, Chase Hotel, St. Louis.
May 4-7—Annual convention of Automotive Engine Rebuilders Association, Netherlands Plaza Hotel, Cincinnati, Ohio.

May 22-24 — Southeast Automotive Show, Dinner Key Auditorium, Miami, Fla.

Sept. 20-22—Annual convention of Kentucky Automobile Dealers Association, Phoenix Hotel, Lexington, Ky.
Sept. 27-28—Annual convention of

Sept. 27-28—Annual convention of Georgia Automobile Dealers Association, Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, Ga.
Oct. 18-19 — Annual convention of

Tennessee Automotive Association, Buena Vista Hotel, Biloxi, Miso. Oct. 25-27—Annual convention of Florida Automobile Dealers Association, Sheraton Beach Hotel, Daytona Beach, Fla.

Willys-Overland Sets Production Record

PRODUCTION of 19,325 passenger cars and commercial vehicles in October set a monthly production record that topped all previous war or postwar records, Ward M. Canaday, president of Willys-Overland Motors, Inc., reported.

Production for the first ten months of this year puts the company in fifth place among the country's 19 automobile and truck manufacturers, c o m p a r e d with seventh last year, he said.

Pontiac Names Ives And Meriwether

A LLAN F. Ives has been named Midwest regional manager for Pontiac Motor Division. He succeeds Jack C. Jamieson, who now heads the Pacific regional office.

Thomas L. Meriwether, assistant zone manager at St. Louis for the past three years, has succeeded Ives as manager there.

Georgians Meet Sept. 27-28

The 1953 convention of the Georgia Automobile Dealers Association will be held Sept. 27-28 at the Biltmore Hotel, Atlanta, it has been announced by L. L. Austin.

Emerson Planck (right), sales manager of the Virginia district, Ford Division, recently received a 30year pin from Charles R. Beacham, sales manager of the Southeast region. Planck headquarters at the parts depot near Richmond.



Experimental Three-Year Franchises Strongly Urged at Oklahoma Meeting

By Baron Creager Southwestern Editor

Members of the Oklahoma Automobile Dealers Association, in their 19th annual convention at Oklahoma City, Nov. 19-20, were urged to prevail upon their factories to execute experimental three-year franchise contracts with substantial dealers established in the business for not less than ten years.

In what was probably the principal address of the convention, dealerwise, H. Mead Norton of Oklahoma City, state NADA director, also urged dealers to oppose excessive factory production and to continue to promote the dealer right to hand down the business to his heirs.

"There have been reports there will be cars for everyone, at lower prices, because the dealers will get less per car, but will make as much money by selling more cars," Norton told the convention, adding. "Don't fall for that." He said:

"Try to Se Reasonable"

"I am not here to cuss the factories, nor the dealers. Try to be reasonable and work out your own problems individually, and I think you will find some pretty good Joes in the factories. And before you go to bat with a factory, take a careful look around and be sure that you are representing that factory the way you should in return for the exclusive right to sell its product. If a factory does not sell its parts to a competitor of yours. I think you should buy everything you need from the factory." He had previously said that dealers do the dirty work of dealing with the public and "run a laundry for the industry."

Norton said that dealers individually would have to assume the responsibility of agitating for better highways or the market would soon be saturated, that dealers must also seek elimination from highways of dangerous vehicles and drivers, and resist additional taxation since the list of the average low-priced car includes \$650 in taxes. He, like a previous speaker, classed the automobile as an essential commodity and not a luxury.

The one convention session, with three featured speakers, followed an executive business meeting in which dealers elected, by five state zones, 37 new directors, on the basis of one director for each ten members. These two-year directors, with 37 holdovers, then chose association officers.

They named Cal Newport of Hominy to the presidency, to succeed Fred Boston of Enid. S. J. "Buster" Doyle of Wewoka was chosen for a new office, that of first vice-president, and Jerry Cravens of Oklahoma City was made secretary-treasurer.

Roy Tant of Oklahoma City is the new secretary-manager, having taken office only two days before the convention, succeeding Fred Albert, who resigned after holding the position since 1947.

Zone vice-presidents elected are Jack Clark of Oklahoma City, Chick Norton of Tulsa, Orville Spann of Ada, Frank Kitchen of Lawton and Joe Edwards of Alva, with Norton and Spann re-elected. This is a new situation with the association, for by-laws previously forbade any officer to succeed himself. Changed at this conven-

tion, they now forbid succession only by the president.

The other speaker who classed the automobile as an essential commodity and opposed higher taxes was Charles J. Farrington, assistant to the president of NADA. He reported he had been told "they are going to ask for a 20 per cent excise tax on cars."

He said cars are not in the class of furs, perfume and champagne and drew applause when he pledged that NADA will "try and see that never again, war or not, will there be any credit restrictions on an essential industry."

Walter Gesell, president of the Oklahoma Safety Council, made a presentation to the association for its safety activities.

R. T. Scott, Oklahoma City, was general convention chairman.

Retiring President Boston reported to the executive session the largest membership in association history, 732, compared with 654 in 1951. He presented the new bylaws, having them approved section by section, and on his recommendation the association decided to:

Notify factories of convention dates to eliminate conflicts with new-car showings; organize local associations wherever possible; employ legal counsel. This was done on the spot, with the association approving retention of Owen Townsend, Oklahoma City.

Tulsa was selected as the convention city for 1953.
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Officers of the Oklahoma Automobile Dealers Association include (l. 10 r.): Front row, Roy Tant, secretary-manager; S. J. Doyle, first vice-president; Fred Boston, retiring president, and President Cal Newport; second row, Joe Edwards, Jack Clark and Chick Norton, all zone vice-presidents; Jerry Cravens, secretary-treasurer, and Orville Spann, zone vice-president, Frank Kitchen, zone vice-president, is not shown.



New Accounts Up. Credit Loss Down from Trucks



Leon Hodges in his "office," almost within reach of the counter.

OMPETITORS in the immediate Aterritory were shaking their heads over the fact that Grand Auto Parts Co. of Paris, Texas, now travels four of six salesmen in as many special-body trucks, delivering from those trucks to trade in the smaller communities and in the country.

Some can remember the time they tried trucks. Even without personal experience, every wholesaler knows someone who tried

trucks. Even R. L. "Leon" Hodges, active partner and general manager of Grand Auto Parts, had his

fingers crossed.

He declined to pose one of the trucks for a photograph, pointing out that this procedure for doing business, after nine months, was still in the experimental category.

The first truck went into service last January, the fourth in June. With bodies and shelving that permit working the stock from outside the trucks they had, by September, contributed health and enBy Baron Creager Southwestern Editor

couragement to the experiment. But Hodges declined to remove his experimental tag from the project.

'It still remains to be seen," he commented, "if selling and delivering on the spot from such trucks will make money over the long

"So far it has been a successful experiment. Our credit losses have been cut 75 per cent. Sixty-five per cent of our truck business is for cash and we have developed a good many new accounts, are selling points we never dreamed of selling.

The trucks operate within a radius of 70 miles of Paris, which has a population of 25,000, and in that radius all the communities are smaller than Paris. Our salesmen have worked out a consistent schedule of regular stops throughout this territory, so that they arrive at the same points at the same

time each week. For this business they depend largely on service stations and independents."

But, warns Hodges, men who can make this kind of merchandising work must be exactly the right types. Even if it is a convenience to the customer to take his order and deliver on the spot, a selling job must be done.

What prevailed upon Hodges to put trucks into the territory? A combination of circumstances.

In Paris, says Leon, there are five wholesalers. Paris depends almost entirely upon agriculture, yet in the last four seasons the drought has reduced crops to a trickle.

"Under the circumstances, it seemed absolutely essential to develop new accounts," says Leon. "We couldn't stand still, for five jobbers cannot survive on the Paris business alone. And at least we haven't lost any money by the truck experiment."

Leon thinks the impetus now behind car-dealer competition for the



This 110-foot frontage for Grand Auto Parts grew from 20 feet in 1943.

wholesaler may drive many out of business in another ten years. He points out that ten years ago this competition had 35 per cent of the business, contends that by 1952 the same competition commanded 65 per cent of the business.

Meanwhile, however, Grand Auto Parts has made remarkable progress during nine of the ten years referred to. The establishment was opened in September of 1,800 square feet. Now the store occupies 110 by 90, with 9,900 square feet. By that measure, the business grew 550 per cent since its inception.

This growth must be credited to Hodges, his policies seasoned by previous experience and his labor, which is a constant factor.

There is no plush about Grand Auto Parts. In one of the back rooms there is a plain, pine table for sales conferences, but no private offices. Hodges does his

He Really Believes In Wholesaling!

Bert L. Vignes, vice-president of Allied Auto Parts Co., Mobile, Ala., recently became the proud father of twin daughters, Janet Louise and Joan Marie.

When friends asked him why twins, he had a ready answer: "You must remember I had to prove I was in the wholesale business."

The Vignes have three other children, Charlotte, Robert and John Mark. work up front at a desk almost within handshaking reach of the counter, where he has a constant feel of the business.

Leon is a native of Paris and that has always been his home. In 1926 he went to work for a Paris jobber. He stayed four years and after that, through 1942, he was in charge of the parts operation for a Paris Ford dealer. This man, John Scarborough, not now in the car business, is a silent partner in Grand Auto Parts.

One gets the impression that, one way or another, with trucks or without, Leon Hodges will have Grand Auto Parts making steady progress. Perhaps not at the rate of 550 per cent in nine years, but as Leon expresses it, "You can't just stand still in this business."

Baltimore Group Names Glass as President

Sold Glass of Ancorp Automotive has been elected president of the Baltimore Automotive Wholesalers Association, Inc., and Edwin W. Kiser, General Machinery & Supply Co., has been elected vice-president.

William C. Smith, Baltimore Gas Light Co., is treasurer and Sam Markman, National Auto Parts Co., is secretary.

Directors include: Meyer Chernock, Max Furman, George Hull, Russell Loock and O. S. Trone.

Hudgins Heads Koochook Sales

Bill Hudgins, Jr., has been appointed sales manager and assistant general manager of Koochook Co., Inc., St. Louis, Mo. He is the son of President W. M. Hudgins.

D & N Parts Remodels Greenwood Store

E HAVE completely remodeled our Greenwood store with new counters, tile floors, and repainting inside and outside to give the store a 1952 Eisenhower victory' look," said President Louis Post, D & N Auto Parts Co., Inc., Greenwood, Miss.

Several changes in office personnel have been made: Mrs. Louis Post, Jr., has been added to handle posting and customer accounts; Mrs. Velma Marlow is now in charge of purchase cost control; Mrs. Helen Hicks is in charge of all office detail, and Ralph Barrentine is in charge of branch store billing and cost control.

Willard T. Walker, 73. chairman of the board of Walker Manufacturing Company of Wisconsin, Racine, Wis., died last month. He and his twin brother, the late Warren H. Walker, founded the company in 1908, As one of the pioneers in the industry, Walker was widely known in manufacturing and wholesaling circles and served in many advisory capacities in the automotive industry.



A Reader Survey

Thin Majority Report '52 Sales Up; Volume Climbed in Last Few Months

DURING the past year sales were up for slightly more than half of the Southern and Southwestern wholesalers, and down for about a third of them.

But a closer look at the figures shows that sales were pretty much the same for almost everybody.

There were strong indications that business for a majority of wholesalers was picking up as the year drew to a close.

"We had a large gain in this last quarter," reported R. J. Baker, sales manager of Arl J. Dillman & Son, Caruthersville, Mo., whose comment was typical of what a number of jobbers were saying.

In surveying the current sales situation, last month SOUTHERN AUTOMOTIVE JOURNAL asked 350 Southern and Southwestern wholesalers this question:

How does your gross sales volume this year compare with last year's?

A look at the replies which indicated an increase revealed that a large number of the increases clustered around the five per cent mark. In only a few scattered cases were gains of more than ten per cent reported. Decreases were mostly in the same range, though a few more firms mentioned decreases of over ten per cent.

Some jobbers gave reasons for the increases and decreases, as well as comments on the past year and speculations about the days ahead.

"Steel and coal strikes affected us greatly here," said A. W. Howe, Auto Specialty Co., Wheeling, W. Va.

"November started out very well, ahead of last year," commented Samuel T. Powell, Jr., treasurer and manager, Auto Parts and Machine Co., Washington, D. C.

"We have found that our equipment sales have had quite a favorable increase over last year," Buyer R. A. "Dick" Nix, Jenkins Automotive Parts Service, Columbia, S. C., reported.

"Expenses are still increasing. Profit margin will be smaller," said Owner G. K. Linkous, Link's, Danville, Va.

"The line showing the greatest volume so far in 1952 is antifreeze," commented Chesapeake Auto Supply Co., Inc., Norfolk, Va. "Our volume is up about five per cent and we expect to make it ten per cent by the end of the year," said Bob Phelps, secretarytreasurer, Phelps-Roberts Corp., Washington, D. C. "The business is there. It's just a little more work to get it."

Other comments from jobbers in various areas of the Southeast and Southwest included:

Oklahoma—"Just can't see business in this dry territory holding up any longer, though sales through October were about three per cent above last year's. We have not had any moisture since June. With a failure in cotton, it does not make a rosy picture.

"We expect sales for the entire year to be below 1951, which was our largest gross sales year. As to position on merchandise accounts and structure, I have cleaned my business up and have almost got my house in order for a squeeze next year. I am now operating with 20 per cent less manpower and should show a better profit. We expect to do better next year even though sales should be down, with better control and less credit loss."

Virginia—"We expect to end the year about equal with last year. First part of year was under first half of previous year. The last six months are expected to make up the deficit."

Texas—"A slight loss is due to the first five months of the year. Balance has equaled a year ago."

Washington, D. C.—"Our summer business was quite a bit slower than last year's but October was much better and November looks good."

West Virginia—"We handle very little in winter items. October was not too good. However, November seems to be picking up a little."

St. Louis, Mo.—"Gross volume decreased 9.2 per cent for first ten months."

Every so often jobbers who are on the ball take a good look at their operations and see what might be done to increase sales or checkmate decreasing sales. Any firm has room for improvements

"We have recently added a Magnaflux unit to our shop," commented Buyer Nix of Jenkins Automotive Parts Service. "This will be another service that we can offer in keeping with the trend of the times. We believe that this will be the first unit of this kind in this area."

Continuing high volume means looking ahead in all phases of an operation.

"Before you get away tonight, Hugo, I want you to . . . "



You Think We Have Troubles Here? Consider Europe's, Saks Declares

Going over to Europe for six or eight weeks and attempting to cover six or eight European countries in that time is quite a job in itself.

But if you try to see these countries first as a tourist and you visit as many historical places as you can—and they all have plenty of them, because these countries are plenty old—then you try to see the art museums and galleries and they have plenty of the most amazing and fascinating art which they have accumulated over many centuries. Then you try to see some of the various government buildings and palaces, and as a tourist you can't neglect the most marvelous cathedrals or the

old castles. Then, besides being a tourist, you also want to know something about the various countries' economies and politics, so

*Ira Saks is well-known to Southern and Southwestern jobbers, having addressed a number of their meetings. Before he left for Europe this past summer, he promised SAJ's editors to write a review on what he saw and what he thought of what he saw. This article—written by a veteran manufacturer of replacement parts—is the fulfillment of that promise to tell what he saw.



By Ira Saks*
President, Accurate Parts Mfg. Co.
Cleveland, Ohio

you try to **observe** and find out a few things about living conditions, working conditions and the political attitudes of the people of the (Continued on page 128)





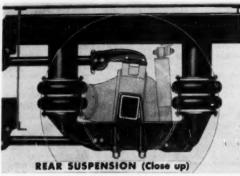
The remodeled counter area of The Parts Co., Columbia, S. C., is not only attractive, but helpful to customers, A display of free literature (top left) is conveniently placed above the water cooler. Above the door (lower left) is a bulletin board on which Owner W. H. Rockafellow can write crayon messages—sales or other types—and then tear them off to leave a clean paper sheet. The murals over the counter (below) aid in identifying parts and related items. Note the posters on parts bins.

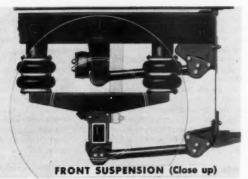




HEAVY DUTY -EQUIPMENT TRUCKS-BUSES-FLEETS







The rubber air bellows, replacing steel leaf springs, show a new idea in body suspension.

Coach Uses Springs of Air

NEW type of coach body suspension-employing air instead of leaf springs-was announced last month by Roger M. Kyes, vice-president of General Motors and general manager of the GMC Truck & Coach Division.

The revolutionary development whereby inter-city GM coach passengers may now reportedly get the smoothest of all rides, on bellows of rubberized nylon tire fabric containing compressed air, was disclosed after more than 12 years of intensive research and perfection of the idea by GM coach engineers.

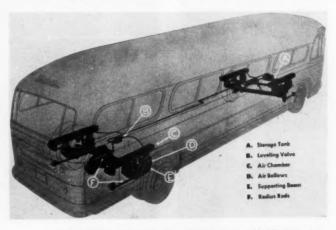
The air suspension ride will go exclusively into the new GM coach model, PD-4104, a 41-passenger job.

The air suspension "is a milestone in coach-manufacturing history that ranks in significance along with GM diesel power and GM hydraulic drive," GMC officials said.

"This new design, which completely eliminates conventional metal leaf springs, means safer, softer and quieter riding for passengers," Kyes said.

The suspension will give the best ride of any vehicle on the high-

Phantom drawing of GM's new inter-city 41-passenger coach shows how passengers will literally ride on air, eliminating more of the fatigue and discomfort of a long-distance trip. The development, termed by GMC as comparable in importance to GM dissel power and GM hydraulic drive on coaches, was the result of 12 years of research.



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ways today and will permit passengers to read newspapers without the constant jiggling that many coaches have when traveling over rough pavement, Kyes said.

The compressed air is held captive in eight heavy, flexible air bellows made of rubberized nylon tire fabric, two to each wheel, which silently absorb all types of road shock from the shattering impact of deep chuck holes to simple tire tread vibrations.

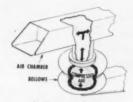
It was termed the ideal suspension medium for two reasons:

1.—It responds to the faintest vibrations, giving its maximum benefits in the range of high frequency vibrations where metal leaf springs fail to begin flexing due to friction between the leaves.

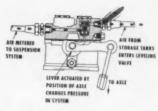
2.—It makes possible a truly progressive rate of deflection. Because compressed air increases its resistance the more it is compressed, it provides a type of suspension having a progressive tate, unlike a metal leaf spring which has a uniform rate through its deflection.

Leveling valves automatically meter the compressed air into the system so that, as the coach is loaded, air pressure is increased to compensate for the added weight. This keeps the body at its original level, providing easier and safer entry and exit for passengers. As the coach is unloaded, the leveling valves release air from the system to keep the coach body at the same level.

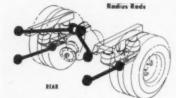
Tests by GM coach engineers have indicated that the flexible air

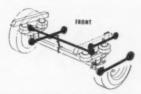


Air Chamber and Bellows



Leveling Valve





Details of the suspension are shown here. The coach body rests on air bellows which absorb road shock in the same manner that an inflated rubber fire acts as a cushion.

bellows last the life of the coach and that there is no appreciable wear in any part of the system. Among the drastically reduced maintenance costs provided by air suspension is lubrication, no longer needed because all joints are rubber-bushed, and reduction of body stress, because road shock is more effectively absorbed.

Aircraft-type direct double acting shock absorbers are used on both sides of front and rear axles to control rebound and further cushion the air ride, while radius rods maintain the positions of each axle against lateral, longitudinal and torsional movement. The radius rods are rubber-mounted, require no lubrication and are quiet.

The compressed air is supplied from the coach air system and is metered through the leveling valves to air chambers consisting of a rectangular rubber-lined sheet steel box with large openings into two bellows at each point of axle suspension.

With driver, a full seated load of 41 passengers, 45 pounds of baggage each, and 100 gallons of fuel, the new GM model will not exceed 18,000 lbs. on the rear axle, the legal load limit in many states.

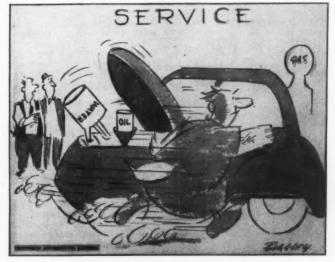
Air ride has become the last word in the evolution of coach body suspension that had its beginning 30 years ago on "double-deckers" with solid rubber tires, and progressive-type leaf springs with rubber shock insulation at the ends.

From 1927 to 1930 high-pressure pneumatic tires (100 pounds) were in their heyday and on the 29-passenger GMC coach single-stage conventional leaf springs were used.

In 1932 suspension engineers had something to talk about. They put on the balloon tires (70 pounds), increased the spring leaf length and made rubber shackles, which gave a much better ride.

Since then engineers have continued to make improvement in spring leaf design.

"He holds the state record for water, oil, gas and check the tires."



SERVICE



AND MAINTENANCE

GM's Power Steering

By E. M. Lowery Technical Editor

BEFORE a mechanic attempts to service any mechanical unit he should learn what the unit was designed to do and how it does it.

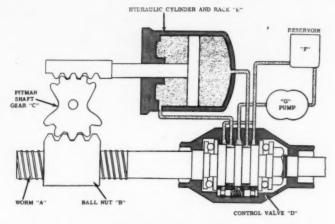
The "trial and error" method may still bring up the answer, but sometimes this proves costly. So, if we are going to service this unit, let's see how it operates.

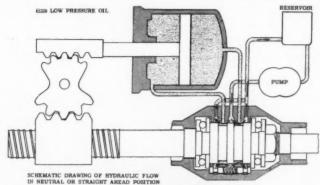
The G. M. hydraulic steering gear is a combination of the regular recirculating ball nut manual steering gear and a hydraulic booster linked to the pitman shaft through a separate set of gear teeth and controlled by a valve on the steering shaft.

The over-all steering ratio is 26.7 to 1, which is approximately the same as that used on present manual gears.

This gear is designed to reduce steering effort, especially during parking, but not to remove the so-called "feel" of steering. In addition to acting as a booster, the hydraulic system of the G. M. hydraulic steering gear is so designed that it resists kickback or "road shock."

All normal steering is accom-





Top: Fig. 1—Power steering working parts.

Above: Fig. 2—Detail of steering operation (neutral).

plished with a maximum steering effort of approximately 10 lbs. on the rim of steering wheel with the engine running.

If some abnormal conditions require more work than the hydraulic booster is capable of doing, which is approximately 6100 in. lbs., the driver can further assist with increased effort on the wheel.

The booster cylinder does not

assist in steering until a steering effort of greater than 3 lbs. is required of the driver. Thus, all normal steering is accomplished in an effort range of from zero to 10 pounds on the steering wheel.

It must be remembered that in spite of this great reduction in steering effort (50 lbs. maximum down to 10 lbs. maximum), the driver is still steering the vehicle. The hydraulic system is only a

booster and accomplishes no steering except through the guidance of the driver.

This can be illustrated in driving on a curve. As long as the driver holds the wheel, the vehicle follows the path he has directed. The unit does not steer beyond the path he has set. If the driver removes his hands from the steering wheel, the car will attempt to right itself and follow a straight course.

When steering requires more than 3 lbs. on the rim of the steering wheel, the initial control valve pre-load is overcome and the valve is actuated. This will change the oil flow by directing the flow from the pump to one end of the hydraulic booster piston. Thus, the hydraulic oil pump will do the work of moving the piston which is linked to the pitman shaft as previously mentioned.

Although the steering effort has been greatly reduced, the driver still retains the "feel" of steering. This is illustrated by the steering effort build-up from 3 to 10 lbs., which is proportionate to the force necessary to turn the front wheels.

The following illustrations will serve to explain the operation and the principal working parts of the G. M. hydraulic steering gear.

The principal working parts (Fig. 1) are the steering worm (A), ball nut (B), pitman shaft gear (C), control valve (D) and the hydraulic cylinder and rack (E).

The hydraulic system consists of an oil reservoir (F) and the hydraulic pump (G), with check and relief valves. The pump is connected by suitable hoses to the control valve built into the steering gear proper.

Note: The hydraulic cylinder as shown mounted toward the valve body is for illustration purposes only. The hydraulic cylinder is mounted below the valve body with the power rack facing up. The hydraulic control valve is mounted on the steering gear housing and is concentric with the steering column.

The hydraulic control valve consists of a spool having two annular grooves which connect three annular passages inside the valve body. The control valve is centered and restrained from linear motion by five sets of plungers which bear against the cover on one end and housing on the other end. They also may, during operation of the booster, bear against thrust bearing races at both ends which are secured to the steering



Fig. 3-Adjusting overcenter lash,

shaft and worm assembly.

The plungers are held against these parts by the action of five springs. It is necessary, therefore, to overcome the pre-load of the springs before the spool can be moved. Because of this, the action of the steering gear for light load is entirely mechanical (loads under 3 lbs. on the rim of the steering wheel).

There is a check valve in the control body which allows circulation of oil within the steering gear in event of pump failure or if steering is done when engine is stopped.

When the valve spool is in the neutral or centered position, the oil from the pump flows through the center passages of the valve body, through the annular grooves in the spool to the annular passages in the body at both ends and then back to the pump. During this operation, the pump merely circulates the oil without doing any work. (See Fig. 2.)

When there is sufficient resistance to rotation of the pitman shaft and linear motion of the ball nut, continued turning of the steering wheel will result in an axial movement of the worm and shaft assembly, thus overcoming the pre-load of the springs. This axial movement of the steering shaft assembly results from the lead of the steering worm. It is obvious that the axial direction of the control valve movement is dependent on direction of rotation of the steering wheel.

When axial movement of the control valve occurs, the return passages to the reservoir are shut off from pump pressure. The oil is thus forced to one side of the piston. At the same time the other end of the cylinder is in communication with the return to the pump. The pump builds up only that amount of pressure necessary to overcome the resistance to rotation of the pitman shaft.

This oil pressure is also diverted to the spring side of the plungers, and assists in building up a preload which must be overcome by effort on the steering wheel. This build-up of load on the centering spring produces a reaction so that the driver is conscious of an increased steering effort when power

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Fig. 4-Measuring overcenter load.

is required to turn the wheels. This is the "feel" previously mentioned.

Servicing GM Hydraulic Steering Gear

Any adjustments of a minor na-

ture that may be required are made externally and are just as simple to perform as on any manual steering gear.

Even though these adjustments are of a minor nature, they are very important and must be made accurately to maintain the smooth positive steering "feel" built into the G. M. hydraulic steering gear.

These adjustments are:

- 1.—Mechanical adjustments:
 - (a) Overcenter adjustment.
 - (b) Power rack guide adjustment.
- 2. Hydraulic service:
 - (a) Type of oil.
 - (b) Trouble diagnosis.
 - (c) Pump service.
 - (d) Line service.
 - (e) Steering gear service.
- (f) Bleeding system.

Mechanical adjustments:

A. Overcenter or last adjustment— This adjustment is the same as

This adjustment is the same as made on the ball nut steering gear except on the car this adjustment is made with an "offset" screwdriver.

This adjustment eliminates backlash between the sector gear and the ball nut when there is evidence of such.

To make this adjustment proceed as follows:

1.—Disconnect the pitman arm from the pitman shaft.

2.—Loosen adjusting screw lock nut "A" and carefully tighten adjusting screw "B" in a clockwise direction. (See Fig. 3.)

Note: Adjustment is correct when the overcenter load is 1 to 1¼ lbs. when checked with spring scale J-544-A attached to steering wheel as shown in Fig. 4.

Fig. 5-Adjusting power rack.

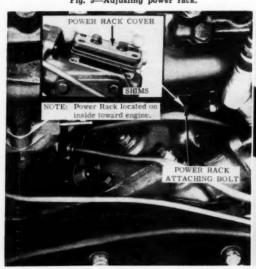


Fig. 6-Checking oil level.



Tighten lock nut "A" and recheck overcenter load; be sure load has not changed.

B. Power rack guide adjust-

ment-

While the possibility is rather remote that the power rack guide may require adjustment beyond the factory setting, provisions are made for this adjustment. However, the power rack guide should be adjusted when certain symptoms indicate an adjustment may be required. These symptoms are:

(a) Instability of front wheels when driving through chuck holes.

(b) Noticeable "click" overcenter, after proper overcenter adjustment has been made.

Important: Before making power rack adjustment, be certain to check front-end alignment and overcenter adjustment; then proceed as follows:

 With spring scale J-544-A, record maximum overcenter load.

2. Remove four *outside* power rack guide cover to housing attaching bolts and lock washers. (See Fig. 5.)

Remove one .003" adjusting shim.

 Reinstall cover and tighten bolts and again record maximum overcenter load.

Note: If the overcenter load remains the same as in check 1 above, an additional shim may be January: Overdrives

More and more overdrives are coming into use, although they were discontinued on some cars years ago. Operation and trouble-shooting will be covered next month.

removed; continue to remove shims and recheck until the overcenter load increases over the original recording.

When the overcenter load increases over the recorded value taken in step 1, replace one .003" shim and recheck the overcenter load to insure that there is no increase over the original reading. The adjustment is then complete.

Hydraulic Service

A. Type of oil-

The recommended oil for use in hydraulic steering system is the hydraulic transmission fluid or type A. In an emergency the system can be serviced with a good grade of SAE-10 or 10W oil.

The oil level should be checked regularly and maintained one inch below the top edge of reservoir. (See Fig. 6.)

B. Trouble diagnosis-

A. Hard steering when parking. Note: With engine idling, car stopped and the steering wheel is turned in an effort to park, the normal effort required at the steering-wheel rim is approximately 10 lbs. with an oil temperature in the reservoir of 170°.

Steering effort will increase with higher than 170° tempera-

tures

Temperature will build up if the steering wheel is turned from side to side while front wheels are stopped. Therefore, if a complaint of hard steering when parking is encountered, carefully follow procedure below.

Simulate parking by applying hand brake and turning wheels on a clean, dry service floor. If effort exceeds 10 lbs. with 150° to 170° oil temperature when checked with spring scale J-5178, make the following checks:

 Check drive belt tension and adjust as shown in Fig. 7. Tighten

bracket bolts.

2. Check oil level in reservoir. If oil is found to be excessively low, check the external system for indication of leakage in accordance with instruction under item D, line service, later in this article.

3. Check for air in oil reservoir. If the oil is not clear (full of bubbles), there is an air leak at some point in the system. Tighten all connections and bleed the system as per instructions under item F, bleeding system, listed later.

4. Check for dirt in oil filter of Eaton pump (See C, pump service). If an excessive amount of dirt is allowed to accumulate in the oil filter, the proper head of oil will not be maintained and consequently the pump output may be diminished.

Check for lack of lubrication.This involves the steering gear, linkage and front suspension.

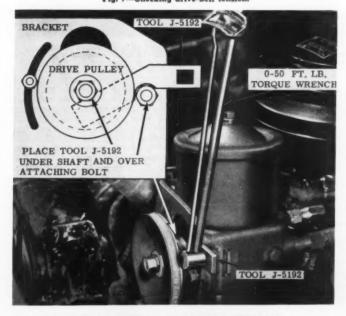
Test tires for proper inflation and inflate to recommended pressures.

7. Check tie-rod and connectingrod ball seats for being too tight.

Check steering-gear adjustments for being tight. Adjust accordingly.

 Spot check all lines and gear (Continued on page 112)

Fig. 7-Checking drive-belt tension.



BODY-SHOP OPERATIONS

Servicing Doors

By E. M. Lowery Technical Editor

The removal and installation of various types of door and window glass regulators, door latches and remote control units is quite a job unless certain procedures are followed. And when they are installed they must be adjusted properly to prevent binding or breakage of the glass and to prevent rattles.

Some of the worst complaints we have are about door glasses that are hard to raise or lower and/or rattles inside the door. The cause of such complaints is sometimes rather difficult to correct, but all efforts should be made to make any adjustments necessary the first time the door trim panel is removed, because the trim panel soon begins to take on a "used look" after several removals and replacements.

There are not many repairs to be made to regulators and latches; if they are defective, it usually requires new unit to correct trouble.

Door Service on Chrysler Corp. Bodies

Removal and installation of door lock cylinder (1950-51-52):

Bend the end of a screwdriver to

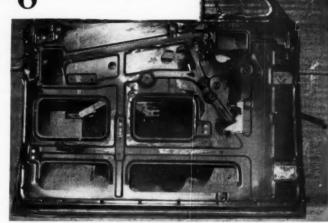


Fig. 1—This door was damaged and required replacement. Skill and know-how are necessary to transfer all the inner mechanism to the door shown in Fig. 3.

an angle of 90°. To remove the cylinder insert the screwdriver through the opening in the door and force the sliding latch to the rear position; withdraw the cylinder look

To install, turn key in cylinder to unlocked position. Insert a screwdriver into the square hole in the door latch assembly and turn the latch to the full unlocked position; this can be determined by trying the door handle. With the sliding latch in the rear position, insert a long needle (a sharpened piece of small welding rod will do) through the trim panel, the square hole in the door latch assembly and on out through the outside door panel. Using the needle, pilot the lock cylinder into position while at the same time withdrawing the needle.

With the cylinder in position, insert the bent screwdriver in the little hole in the door and push the sliding latch forward. This locks the cylinder in place. On earlier jobs the cylinder is held in place with a set screw.

Removal and installation of door glass regulator:

A. Remove the window regulator control handle.

January: Frame Straightening

There's many a twist of the mechanical wrist involved when it comes to doing a first-class frame-straightening job. In the January issue Ed Lowery will bring out some of his ideas. B. Remove the garnish moulding. C. Remove the door trim panel.

D. Lower the window glass, remove the retainer and rubber washer. Disconnect the glass channel from the regulator. Then raise the glass and insert a block in the door panel opening to rest glass on.

E. Remove the attaching screws that hold the assembly to the inside door panel and take the assembly out through the door opening.

Reverse the procedure to install unit.

Removal of front door latch and remote control:

A. Remove trim panel, garnish moulding, cylinder lock and door handle.

B. Remove screws holding the remote control base to the door panel.

C. Raise the window glass and bend the bottom catch of the window felt run channel out (toward center of door). Remove the door latch attaching screws, and work the unit out through the opening in the door.

Reverse the procedure to install. To assure ease of operation, both regulators and door latches should be well lubricated with a semifluid lubricant.

Door Service on G. M. Bodies

Chevrolet, Olds (except model 98) and Pontiac (1949-50-51-52):

Removal of door outside handle: A. Release the door weatherstrip at the lock pillar face to ex-



Fig. 2—These various units are tough to remove or install unless the given procedures are followed.

pose the flat spring handle re-

B. Remove the screw holding the retainer to the pillar face and pull the retainer out until the handle can be removed.

To install:

A. Cock the bolt. With the push button depressed, install the handle; when in correct position the bolt will snap down. Install the retainer and secure with screw. Recement weatherstrip.

Removal and installation of door safety lock:

A. Remove the outside handle and retaining snap ring.

B. Remove the stop washer, spring and detent washer. Note the relative position of the two washC. Remove the lock cylinder, lock cylinder housing and push button shaft assembly.

D. Remove the handle sealing ring and remove the push button cap by bending up the small ears of the cap to disengage from the lock cylinder housing.

E. Remove the retainer which holds lock cylinder and push button shaft to the housing. (A new retainer will be required to reassemble.)

F. Remove the door lock cylinder and push shaft from the housing.

Reverse procedure to re-assemble.

Door window glass regulator removal:

A. Lower the glass and remove the door trim panel,

B. Remove loading hole covers. Through the loading holes in the inner panel, remove the window assembly to sash channel cam screws so as to disengage the window and sash channel cam from the regulator mechanism.

C. Remove the four screws holding the window regulator and the two screws holding the stationary cam to the inner panel. Regulator and cam may then be moved through loading holes.

To install, reverse the procedure.

Door lock remote control removal:

Remove the door trim panel Remove the three remote control assembly attaching screws on the door inner panel.

Disengage the remote control assembly clip on the door panel. Reverse procedure to install.

Note: To take up end play in the linkage, loosen the three attaching screws holding the unit to the door inner panel and shift to the desired tension.

"Gimme a dime's worth of anti-freeze."



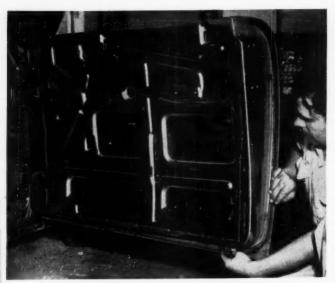


Fig. 3-New door shell minus the inner mechanism.

Door lock assembly removal: Put the door bolt in the down

position and remove door outside

Remove door trim panel and loading hole cover from inner panel. Disconnect door lock remote control connecting rod from the lock by removing the remote control mechanism.

Remove the inside locking rod. On rear doors remove the single bolt and washer holding the inside washer which holds the single lock rod lever to the inner panel.

On front doors only remove the glass run channel retaining stud on the lower inner surface of the door locking pillar facing.

Remove the two door lock screws from the inner panel facing and the three door lock screws and washer from door lock pillar facing.

Remove the door lock by rotating it, extracting the lock down, through and out the loading hole. On front doors the lock must be dropped straight down to clear the end of the glass run channel. (On convertible-style doors the window glass and lock pillar glass run channel must be removed prior to removing the lock.)

To re-install, reverse the procedure, first checking to see that the bolt is in the down position. On front doors the U-shaped retainer on the lock housing must be threaded behind the lower end of the glass channel during the in-

stallation. This can be accomplished after pulling out slightly the lower end of the glass run channel.

Loading hold cover should be seated before replacing door trim panel.

As mentioned at the beginning, body door service can be quite a "job" unless given procedures are followed.

Buick to Air-Condition Some 1953 Models

BUICK Motor Division will offer "draftproof" air-conditioning as optional equipment on the two-door Riviera and four-door sedan in the Roadmaster and Super series next year, Ivan L. Wiles, general manager, has announced.

The unit, which is mounted on a shelf in the trunk compartment and filters air into the car through ducts above the windows, has a capacity of more than 300 cubic feet of air a minute and changes air in the car completely every 20 seconds, Buick engineers said.

Rolls-Royce Cars to Have Automatic Transmission

ROLLS-ROYCE cars for the American market will now have an automatic transmission as optional equipment. The unit will give the driver the choice of using the automatic drive or manual control.

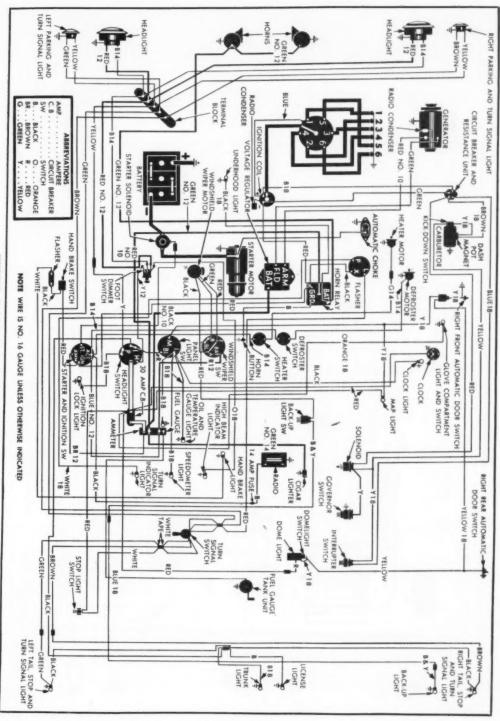
The transmission will not affect such Rolls-Royce features as the servo motor for braking system.

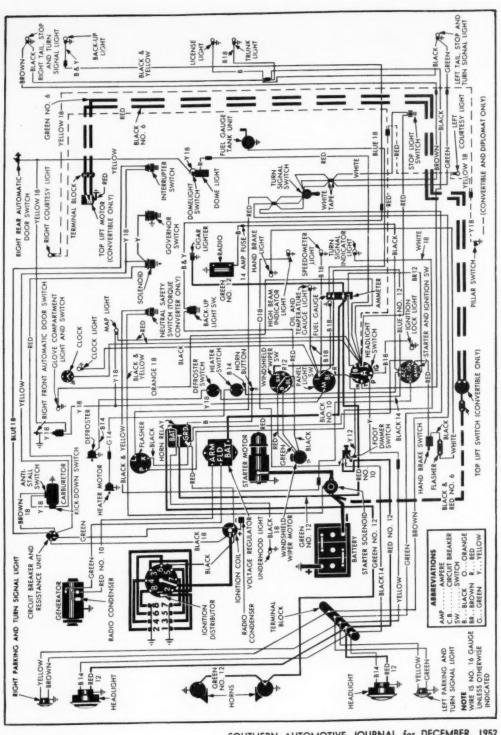
Atlantians Discuss Filtration

"Filtration for Internal Combustion Engines" was the topic for the November meeting of the SAE Atlanta, Ga., Group. Herbert R. Otto, chief engineer for Purolator Products. Inc., was the speaker.

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ABBREVIATIONS

*—Refill A—Accessor; Ca—Carter Ch—Chain DM—Dry Mesh d—Top .0937, Middle .125 F—F Head motor G—Gear Ho—Holley I—Valve in head 5—"88," 119½; "98", 122 OB—Oil bath OCM—Oil-coats N⊢Optional at extra coat RP—Rochester

N-Ne
OB-Oil bath
OCM-Oil-coated mesh
RP-Rochester Products

St—Stromberg T—Tillotson Y—Yes Zn—Zezith



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ABBREVIATIONS

i—10" on DeLx. with std.
3-speed transmission.
3-Total dwell for two points;
25" to 28" for each
breaker.
8-Hydra-Matic Trans. Std.
on 62-60 Series.

4—Each point. Total effec-tive dwell 84° to 38°. 5—.114 with Auburn facing

6—6° on Windsor DeLx.

"—Self-adjusting, self-centuring
s.—After
au—Automatie
b—Before
Bb—Borg & Beck
c—Cold
—Hydraulis valve lifters
E—Nuta 85 to 87, cap
screws 65 to 70

H—Hydraulic
h—Hot
J—S5 on cast-iron head,
45 on sluminum
k—Statesman 15, Ambassador 18 with
heater
L—Long Mfg.

f—Without beater. With heater add 1 qt.

Hydraulic h—Hot on cast-fron head, is on siuminum head on siuminum

U-Auto-Lite 17.22,
Delco 17.21
W-Warm
X-Do not recommend using
dwell meter for setting breaker point gas
y-Tolerance of one degree,
plus or minus, allewed
in adjusting
Z-Auto-Lite 27, Delco 31

BIG EARS AND TUNA

The only thing Pat ever had to quit was school.

But lack of schooling didn't stop him. He built \$600

and the habit of listening into an education that paid off.

Reading Time: 1 minute, 41 seconds

T HAD TO quit school early, but I never stopped learning. My best teachers were big ears, bad bills and tuna. Some colleges could use a faculty like that."

Pat, a graying 47, speaks with a crisp confident voice. You'd pick him out as a man who runs a successful De Soto-Plymouth business and you'd be right.

"About those big ears," he said, "they're mine. When I was a little pitcher of 14 working as an automobile demonstrator, I used them plenty. I was so young I changed to long pants every time I had to drive. I used to listen to the salesmen who sat in the back seats with prospects. By keeping my aerial up, I discovered that most salesmen oversold—they kept on talking and muffed the sale. I never forgot that lesson.

"My second teacher was bad bills," Pat continued,
"-ones I was supposed to collect, working in the collection department of an auto finance company. I found that actually there aren't too many dead beats. But there were dealers who promised things and didn't stand up to them. So people didn't want to pay until their cars were made right. I couldn't blame them. That was a lesson in service and customer relations I never forgot, either.



"By 1933, I had saved \$600," Pat recalled. "Just 28 and hungry to become a dealer. A boyhood pal-about the same age-owned a building. So we decided to go after a De Soto dealership. Both of us thought the car was tops. And we felt that in order to sell something, you have to like it yourself.

"Fortunately," Pat smiled, "De Soto was more interested in our experience and reputation than in our cash. We opened up in the depth of the depression. Never forgot our first sale—a three-passenger coupe with red wire wheels—to a school teacher, bless 'em all. It was for cash—and how we needed the money to pay bills! Several times



that first year we felt like quitting. You know there were many people who thought we were going to fail. I guess that convinced us to stick it oct. When the odds are against you, you pump that much harder."

Pat paused reflectively.

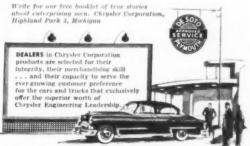
"I mustn't forget." he said, "to tell you about my third teacher-a tuna. I like to fish, and a fisherman always is after that big one. Fishing is like selling cars-you can't

get discouraged too easily. After years of waiting, I finally caught up with that big one — 591 pounds of tuna. It took me 3 hours to land it. Same way with this business: when I get something on my line, I'm not going to let it slip off."



Pat's informal education has paid off. Today, with 37 employees, he sells more than 900 cars yearly. He has his own paint, metal and repair shops and at present is developing his own finance company—"to handle all of a customer's needs under one roof."

"I never stop expanding." he explained. "Can't. Not if I'm going to raise my 7 children—and keep them in school."



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Ending of Vehicle Price Controls Urged by Nationwide Dealer Group

Immediate suspension of price controls on new and used automobiles and trucks has been requested by J. Saxton Lloyd of Daytona Beach, Fla., president of National Automobile Dealers Association, in a letter to Tighe E. Woods. director of the Office of Price Stabilization.

Lloyd said the request was in line with the agency's announced policy that "under normal conditions direct price controls have no place in the American way of life" and that such controls "should be employed only when inflation endangers the public welfare and safety."

"From our experience over the many months of price controls and a careful study of the situation today, we are convinced that a price stabilization program for our industry presently serves no useful function," Lloyd said, "and hence these direct controls should be suspended.

"Reliable authorities predict increases in steel deliveries during the first quarter of 1953 and automotive industry spokesmen are predicting that a new all-time record production will be reached in 1953

"It is clear to us that a balance between production of and demand for automobiles and trucks has been achieved, and that the continuation of direct price controls on our industry will make no contribution to the stabilization program; nor will the removal of such controls have an adverse effect on the price levels of new and used cars and trucks.

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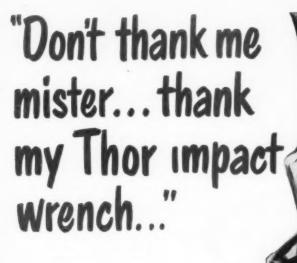
DAVIS NAMED FOR VEHICLES

George R. Davis has been appointed director of the Motor Vehicle Division of the National Production Authority.

Davis, a government career man who had been deputy director since June, 1952, succeeds Robert Cass, who is returning to his position as assistant to the president of White Motor Co.

ALLOTTING HIGHWAY FUNDS

Apportionment of the \$575,000,-000 authorized as federal aid to states for highways in the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1953, has been announced by Secretary of





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FACTORY SERVICE BRANCHES IN 20 PRINCIPAL CITIES

SOUTHERN AUTOMOTIVE JOURNAL for DECEMBER, 1952

Commerce Charles Sawyer. The funds were authorized by the Federal-Aid Act approved June 25, 1952.

State highway departments propose projects, prepare plans, award contracts and supervise construction, all subject to federal approval. Federal participation is limited to half the cost except in the public-lands states.

For the Southeast and Southwest sums apportioned are:

\$11,551,891 Alabama 8,484,040 Arkansas

Delaware	2,397,092
Florida	9,259,517
Georgia	13,260,893
Kansas	11,983,630
Kentucky	10,085,524
Louisiana	8,927,771
Maryland	5,964,303
Mississippi	9,177,421
Missouri	15,981,742
New Mexico	7,601,130
North Carolina	13,561,380
Oklahoma	11,002,623
South Carolina	7,276,763
Tennessee	11,902,112
Texas	34,493,576

Virginia 10.823.604 West Virginia 6,156,467 District of Columbia 3,281,209

How 1953 Looks

(Continued from page 47)

fore in acquiring service and parts business. Many dealers are confronted with a need for additional physical facilities. In many instances, over-expansion may be avoided by the use of specialized equipment, making it possible to produce more income in the same area allocated to the service department.

Lastly, what about the mechanics-those begrimed and beloved chaps without whose skill and sweat we would all be left high and dry? Well, there is a crying need for new mechanics. It's a need for men who have been skilfully trained and educated in their trade rather than mechanics who acquire their knowledge "by ear" alone.

The industry is to be criticized for having failed to face up to this important problem. It is to be hoped that dealers and manufacturers alike will make the education and training of automobile mechanics one of the first orders of business in 1953.

Installment Debt to Drop, **Finance Men Predict**

THE nation's present installment debt is headed for an early decline, Thomas W. Rogers, executive vice-president of the American Finance Conference, said at the recent convention in Chicago.

In support of his prediction, Rogers cited the drop during July and August in the dollar volume of automotive financing handled by sales credit companies and commercial banks, the two groups that do 90 per cent of the automotive financing.

A preliminary survey indicated that the September volume would show some reduction, he said, and October probably would be at about the same level as September.

Ford Appoints Floridian

John J. Kelly, formerly a district field manager in the Jacksonville, Fla., district of Ford Division, has been appointed manager of the district business management department. He succeeds Mac M. Mruz, who recently was promoted to Southeast regional business management manager.



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one for each make and model? Do you have to connect to the water or cooling system of the car? What is the cost of the unit and tank and installation?

Please send me any information you can and the name of the nearest dealer in this kind of unit.

H. G. PIPER

A column of informal comments about the automotive trade and its problems.

We're asking the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Association, 11 South LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill., if they can give you some information along these lines.

GET A FREE BOOST!

A good example of how wholesale and retail companies can give their publicity material extra impact by tieing in with current events and interests was illustrated by a recent bulletin-a regular weekly one-sent to salesmen of Mills-Morris Co., Memphis, Tenn., a few days after the elec-

Pointing out that political parties used salesmanship, the bulletin said in part:

"Let's all take a lesson from the presidential campaign. Maybe the Republican whistle stops of 1952 proved to be of greatest help. Maybe those whistle-stop accounts (small car dealers, one-man garages, one-pump filling stations) that you have been overlooking are the answer to increased sales

"Are you invading every territory? Gen. Eisenhower did when he included the Democratic South in his itinerary."

At present, of course, more people are talking about Santa Claus than politics. The New Year's "bowl" games are of prime interest to a lot of folks. Every season of the year has its outstanding events that people like to talk about.

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Dear Bill,

Every time I take a spin on the highway and indulge in the typical service man's holiday of watching the condition of passing cars, I return home with a worried feeling. I wonder if any of the cars I notice are customers of ours, or if not, if they are typical of the neglect of service men and motorists.

Where it used to actually be a heavy responsibility for the mechanic to see that his customers were snug in all mechanical departments, the driver himself should





have by now assumed a certain amount of that responsibilty. When it used to be smart to "not know a thing about what went on under the hood or fenders of a car," the public have had a lot of education thrown at them in many ways, so they shouldn't risk their necks by rolling along in an unsafe vehicle.

Several of the boys were slamming along at a pace the speed cops shouldn't hear about, and you'd think that if they knew they were going to drive like that they'd at least get their wheels balanced so their tires wouldn't be hopping off the slab about as long as they were on it.

Noticed a number of the highspeed joes whipping along with one or more wheels beating the tar out of the suspension system while they pounded flat spots in their treads because of unbalance.

At night it was hard to tell if the headlights were lowered or not.

They were set to glare in your eyes even on the low beam. On an emergency stop they'd either drag one tire or swerve all over the place.

That's the stuff graveyards are made from. The drivers can't help but suspect something is wrong under these conditions and they should split the responsibility with their shop man and get safe. After all, Christmas is coming.

The Bull-of-the-Woods must have been sharpening his pencil again. He came out of the office last week after shuffling the repair orders for a couple hours and showed us we'd been busy as feather merchants but losing money. We'd been allowing customers to make two or three trips into the shop for several little items we should have caught the first time.

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lost money on the little jobs where we'd have made a profit if we'd done it all in one trip. It was just

that simple.

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the mechanic beats flat rate on the

The shop's "take" on the job doesn't pay all the little administrative and selling costs incident to the deal.

We're looking a little deeper into each job order we write to make sure it isn't just for the laughs. The customer isn't exactly happy about taking time out to run his car over to the shop several times either.

Ed.

Garages Use This Plan

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ads published regularly and in which the participating shop operators are listed.

At Tuscaloosa these operators were supplied banner signs about seven feet wide and two feet deep for display at their businesses and stating:

"Ride as you pay. AUTO RE-PAIRING. No money down. Up to 18 months to pay. Ask about our

plan."

Sawyer reported that since he and J. D. "Jake" Lee of Anniston Auto Parts first started off with the program more than a year ago, "I'll bet I have answered not less than 100 letters from jobbers and garagemen wanting to know more about the program.

"This plan has covered brake linings, kingpins and a wide assortment of work. I would say that a minimum of ten per cent of the \$135,000 financed through mine and Mr. Lee's company has been related to safety repairs. As to how many lives have been saved or injuries avoided, no human could honestly estimate. At least 200 jobs during that first year covered front end and brakes.

"I would say that the jobs financed averaged \$60 out of the total of around 2.200 repairs."

Ed Siegal commented:

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'There's no limit to how much the repairman can sell the customer in the way of needed repairs except the limit of the customer's credit. If the customer should want a set of tires, radio or accessories which the jobber doesn't carry, this can be incorporated in the loan simply enough under the kind of plan we have adopted in Tuscaloosa.

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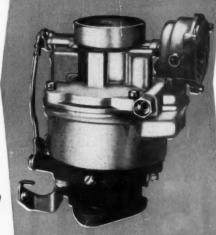


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Sun and Seas May Be Power Plants And Mines of Future, McCuen Says

Scientists and engineers in the future will look to the sun and the seas for energy and material sources, Charles L. McCuen, General Motors vice-president, told the Rutgers Occupational Vision Conference at Atlantic City, N. J., last month.

McCuen, who heads General Motors Research Laboratories, declared the sun would provide for every conceivable use of power, if a reasonably efficient means can be found to convert or utilize its

energy.

"We have made only feeble attempts at utilizing this tremendous source of free fuel," he said. "Green leaves grow in the open for everyone to observe. Year in and year out nature uses her method to fix energy from the sun. Someday some man or group of men of clear vision will discover the process which nature has been demonstrating to us with every plant that ever grew.

May Be the Greatest

"That may well be the greatest discovery of all time. When that day arrives, nations will no longer need to struggle and even go to war to obtain more of the fuel supplies of the world. Adequate supplies will be in every man's backyard."

He explained that in the United States "we receive an average yearly amount of energy per acre equivalent to 800 tons of coal or about 2¼ tons each day" from

sunlight.

Meanwhile, McCuen pointed out, the time is anticipated when nuclear energy will become commercial. "We feel," he said, "that this form of power will take its place alongside the coal-burning steam plant and the hydroelectric plant.

"But," he added, "even this form of power requires fuel, uranium, which is limited in sup-

ply."

As important as the finding of new energy sources is the problem of seeking materials to support Americans in the style to which they have become accustomed, the speaker said.

"Each of us," McCuen declared, "uses 18 tons or 36,000 pounds of materials every year. For a family of four this is 72 tons. If you retire at 65, you will have needed 1,170 tons or 2,340,000 pounds of material things. That is some 14,000 times your weight."

These materials annually required by each individual include: 14,000 pounds of fuel, 800 pounds of metals requiring 5,000 pounds

of ore, 1,600 pounds of food, 4,100 pounds of cotton, wool, pulpwood and other agricultural products; 800 pounds of non-metallic materials such as chemical raw materials, fertilizer and lime, and 10,000 pounds of building materials.

"A higher standard of living will mean a still larger consumption of energy and materials," McCuen declared. "In some metals we have ample known supplies for generations to come. In others, we are not so well off. Either we do



not have them in the United States or good ores are running low."

This will challenge engineers and scientists to develop new substitute materials, discover and exploit new ore bodies, find new methods to work low-grade ores commercially, use less scarce materials and exploit the seas.

He related how bromine, although very minutely present in the sea, has been made commercially available at the rate of one pound for every 15,000 pounds of sea water processed. Bromine is

used with tetraethyl lead in automotive and aviation fuels.

Building Truck Service

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should know, but either through shortsightedness or negligence they fail to look ahead. You've got to have that foresight."

When a customer comes in for brake lining or brake shoes, Acken asks him about grease seals and wheel-cylinder kits. When another customer wants a pressure plate assembly and clutch disc, Acken reminds him of the release bearings and pilot bearings he should have. When they come in for needed rings or wristpins, Acken suggests main bearings or timing gears.

Acken also looks into the repair orders on motor jobs in the shop. After the mechanics have made their observations on a truck, Acken looks over the stated condition and recommends parts needed.

Nor in his parts recommendations does he overlook the need for accessories. He reminds truckers of lights, mirrors, reflectors, reflector flares and fire extinguishers.

Owner George Stone believes it is Acken's good training of his assistant that will make possible placing Acken in the sales field.

How To Train Them

How does he take a young man new to a truck parts department, without mechanical experience, and train him?

In remodeling bins for expanding the parts stock and relocating the bins, the parts manager had his new apprentice print the item and bin number and identify the part with the bin label under his supervision.

"It happened to be a fortunate introduction to items and their location. I also had him check the item count with that on the inventory card," said Acken. "That further familiarized him with the set-up. From the duplicate sales ticket I had him make deductions from the inventory cards. I also had him prepare a list, after a study of the cards, of items that had not moved in six months.

"I like to keep myself informed of items that are falling into dead stock, to see whether anything can be done about them. All this contributed to his understanding."

When stock orders came in, the parts helper uncrated and checked items on the packing slips with what was received, and then binned the parts. Supervising him constantly, Acken always explained where the part was used and its purpose. But by the constant handling of parts, this apprentice became familiar not only with truck parts but with their numbers.

"Credit is due him, too, for his quick intelligence, ability to associate parts and numbers, and memory for detail which all helped in his rapid adjustment," concluded Acken.



Corpus Christi Agency Sold by George Jones

CEORGE Jones, Ford dealer at Corpus Christi, Texas, for the last ten years, has sold his dealership to J. Louis Boggus, Sr., of Harlingen, Texas.

Jones said the purchase price was more than \$500,000. He retained the buildings and land, which will be leased to Boggus.

J. Louis Boggus, Jr., will operate the firm and will be secretarytreasurer, with his father as president. The company is now called Boggus Motor Co.

J. Louis Boggus, Sr., is owner of the Ford, Lincoln and Mercury agency at Harlingen and owns a Ford agency and Boggus Tractor

Co. at McAllen.

Jones said he had no immediate plans except to "just loaf for a while and do some traveling." He has been in a variety of businesses and promotional ventures, including 11 automobile agencies. He still has an interest in a Houston dealership, as well as other interests at Corpus Christi.

Whisler Heads Engineering For Gabriel Division

R. H. Whisler, Jr., has been appointed chief engineer of the Gabriel Division of The Gabriel Co., it has been announced by J. H. Briggs, president.

Whisler formerly was chief engineer of the shock-absorber division of Monroe Auto Equipment Co., Monroe, Mich.

Curtice Succeeds Wilson As President of GM

Harlow H. Curtice, formerly executive vice-president of General Motors Corp., has been named president to succeed Charles E. Wilson, who was appointed secretary of defense in the new Eisenhower cabinet.

Curtice entered the automobile business in 1914 as a bookkeeper for AC Spark Plug Division at

Flint, Mich.

He was general manager of Buick Motor Division from 1933 until 1948, when he became executive vice-president of GM.

Texas Used-Car Dealers Elect Tom Blundell

Tom Blundell of Dallas has been elected president of the Texas Independent Automobile Dealers Association, formerly called the Texas Used Car Dealers Association.

Other officers include: Boyd Mullen of Houston and John Kinnaird of Fort Worth, vice-presidents; J. P. Patterson, Amarillo, secretary, and Dale Robbins, Lubbock, treasurer.

Dick Smith of Waco is the retiring president of the group.

\$40 Christmas Bonuses Authorized by WSB

BOTH the Wage Stabilization Board and the Salary Stabilization Board have ruled that employers may pay this year, without prior board approval, Christmas or year-end bonuses of not more than \$40, even though an employer paid a smaller bonus or paid no bonus at all last year.

If an employer paid bonuses higher than \$40 last year, he may continue to do so in accordance with WSB and SSB regulations. The \$40 bonuses cannot be paid in addition to such higher bonuses. The \$40 bonuses may be cash or a gift article.

Atlas Joins Warwick

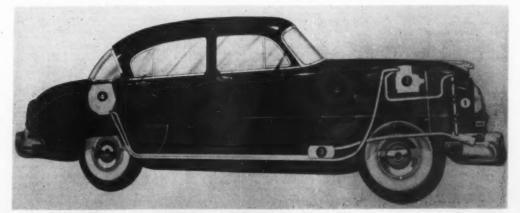
V. Walter Atlas has joined Warwick Laboratories Co., Brooklyn, as technical director. Formerly with the brake-fluid laboratory of Shell Chemical Corp. and with Foster D. Snell, Inc., consultant chemists, Atlas will head research and development of new products, as well as qualitative testing.

Willys Names Tiedemann

A. Carl Tiedemann, a native of San Antonio, Texas, who was with Hudson Sales Corp. before joining Willys-Overland Motors, Inc., has been appointed manager of the new Willys zone office at Chicago.

How the Chrysler Airtemp automobile air-conditioning unit mounts in a four-door sedan is shown by this drawing. Principal assemblies in the system are: (1) two heat-dissipating condensers mounted in the front of the car, (2) four-cylinder, V-type, belt-driven compressor mounted on the right of the engine under the hood, (3) freon receiving tank and (4) evaporator in the

trunk under the rear shelf. Actual cooling of the air is performed in the evaporator by the use of the compression-expansion principle used in household refrigerators. The evaporator assembly also contains a blower for circulating the cooled air. The first 193 Chrysler equipped with the unit was delivered to Mrs. Arden B. Judd of Houston, Texas, just a few weeks ago.



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810-Brake-Drum Lathe

No. 302 brake-drum lathe, handling drums up to 24" in diameter and 10 wide, is now available from Van Norman Co., Springfield, Mass.



The unit takes all passenger car and 2½-ton drums with wheels and tires mounted, as well as extra-heavy truck drums, the manufactur-er said. It turns and grinds simultaneously.

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811-Interchange Manual

The 19th edition of its interchangeability manual, containing 608

changeability manual, containing 608 pages and listing 600,000 interchanges, has been issued by The Hollander Manual Co., 7007 Walker Ave., Minneapolis 16, Minn.

The manual shows interchange of parts with the same numbers, parts with different numbers and parts that can be altered to fit. Body and chassis parts are included. Price of the manual is \$24.50 nostraid the manual is \$24.50 postpaid.

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812-Power Drive

The PD-3 electric power drive, a completely enclosed unit to convert hand-operated wrecking cranes into power cranes, has been announced by Manley Division, American Chain & Cable Co., Inc., York, Pa. The drive is operated by a truck

battery or other 6-volt battery. Pushbutton control box can be carried by operator to best control position for individual job or permanently attached to a convenient place on rear of truck. The power drive is designed for use with the WC-3 and WCJ-3 wrecking cranes. It may be installed on units already in use, the manufacturer said.



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813—Valve Rotators

Three types of valve rotators, designed to reduce valve troubles and give longer valve life, are now being marketed by Thompson Products, Inc., Cleveland 3, Ohio, it was announced last month.

The Rotocap (shown in illustra-tion) turns valves approximately 6° every time they open and close. It



replaces the regular valve spring retainer cap and may be installed either at guide end or tip end of valve. It is suitable for L-head and valve-in-head engines. A release-type Rotovalve and a fraction-type rotator are also available, the manufacturer's announcement stated.

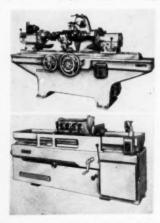
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814-Grinders

A crankshaft regrinder with a capacity of 60" by 18" and a head grinder with a capacity of 46" long and 14" wide are now being mar-keted by Van Norman Co., Spring-

field, Mass.
No 460 crankshaft regrinder (top photo) is equipped with the Rap-



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815-Bead Breaker

An improved bead breaker for use on the new hump-type safety rims, as well as other types of safety rims, has been added to the line of Bishman Manufacturing Co., Osseo, Minn.
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816—Heavy-Duty Batteries

The XF line of heavy-duty batteries for gasoline and diesel trucks teries for gasoline and diesel trucks and off-the-highway equipment has been announced by The Electric Storage Battery Co., Automotive Re-placement Sales Division, Box 8109, Philadelphia 1, Pa. The 6-volt models are made with

21, 25 and 41 plates per cell and with capacity ratings of 168, 200 and 336



ampere hours at the 20-hour rate. The model with 21 cells is illustrated. The 12-volt units are made with 13, 21 and 25 plates per cell and with capacities of 100, 168 and 200 ampere hours at the 20-hour rate. New grid alloy, new active material and com-bination retainers and separators are said to give longer life.

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817—Tool Catalog

A catalog on its complete line of parts, tools and supplies for radiator repairs has been issued by Inland Manufacturing Co., 1108 Jackson St., Omaha 8, Nebr. The different items are illustrated and specifications are given.

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818-High-Strength Electrode

Eutectrode 670, a low-heat electrode said to produce a high-strength bond for bumper brackets, bumpers and similar applications that must withstand severe impact, is now being marketed by Eutectic Welding Alloys Corp., 40-40 172nd St., Flushing,

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819-Air Sander

A straight-line action, single-pad air sander, featuring a built-in water spray for wet sanding work and available with either rubber or felt backing pads, has been added to the line of National Air Sander, Inc.,

Rockford, III.

Model 600, as it is identified, weighs 5 lbs. and operates at 3,200 rpm. It has a 5/16" pad stroke and 25 sq. in. of abrasive area. Improved paper holders permit simple and quick paper changes.

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820-Ignition Sets

Waterproof ignition sets spark-plug-terminal covers, designed to protect plugs from moisture and prevent flashover, have been an-nounced by The Electric Auto-Lite Merchandising Division, Toledo 1, Ohio. Called Neosheath sets, ten numbers

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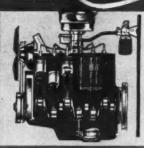
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821-Key Case

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hold the case in position through even the hardest jars and bumps, the manufacturer said. Case is of lithographed metal for longer life.

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The GA200 fuel-pump gasket assortment, featuring 250 of the most popular gaskets, has been announced by Airtex Automotive Division, Fairfield, Ill.

The assortment is housed in a sturdy hinged box to protect gaskets. Each number is in a separate com-partment with a picture of the gasket, its number and its application



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823-Pulse Generator

An ignition system for high-compression natural-gas engines, using

pression natural-gas engines, using a new type of pulse generator for timing firing of fuel mixtures, has been developed by American Bosch Corp., Springfield, Mass.

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824-Clutch Sets

A line of clutch sets for popular cars and trucks, containing throwout bearings, gaskets and other auxiliary parts needed to do the job properly, is now available from Accurate Parts Manufacturing Co., 12435 Euclid Ave., Cleveland 6, Ohio.

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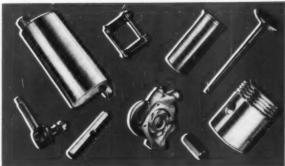


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825—Reflective Strips

Red reflective strips that can be applied to rear bumpers of cars to reduce the chance of rear-end accidents at night are now being produced by Day-Nite Reflective Sign Co., 275 Boulevard, N. E., Atlanta, Ga. The material, which lights up when struck by headlights of cars, is easy to install and is said to last several years.

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827-Parts Catalog

A revised catalog on its complete line of automotive replacement parts has been issued by Champ-Items,

and other synthetic-rubber products without the use of heat, has been placed on the market by H. B. Egan Manufacturing Co., 101 Commercial, Muskogee, Okla.

The Camel assortment contains five sizes of bevel patches, a 100" two-sided bevel roll, two half-pint cans of rubber solvent and a buffing stick. Metal cabinet keeps bevels clean and ready for use.

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Inc., 6191 Maple Ave., St. Louis 14, Mo. Catalog No. 53, as it is identified, contains a number of new items added to the line recently by the company.

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826-Tube-Repair Kit

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828-Portable Charger

The "Little Giant" portable 6- and 12-volt fast charger, featuring a dry rectifier and protected by an automatic reset circuit breaker, has been added to the line of King Electric Equipment Co. 9123 Inman Ave., Cleveland 5, Ohio.

Model BC-54, as it is identified.

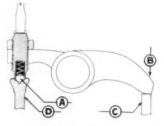
Model BC-54, as it is identified, reportedly will restore starter operation in five minutes and recharge 6-or 12-volt batteries in two hours or less. It is housed in an attractive lightweight case with carrying handle.

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829-Valve Silencer

Valve screws designed to silence tappet noise of overhead valves have been introduced by Q-T Distributing Co., 1223 N. E. Alberta St., Portland 11, Ore.

Ball and spring ("A" in illustration) maintain rocker-arm tappet (B) in constant contact with valve stem (C),



the manufacturer said, which stops hammering between tappet and valve stem. In addition, ball and spring cushion the impact of push rod (D) against valve screw to eliminate noise at this point. Screws are made for Chevrolet, Buick and Nash passenger cars.

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830-Clutch Bearings

A line of clutch release bearings with nylon-thermoplastic ball retainers to stand up under the severe operating strains of this application has



been introduced by Airtex Automotive Division, Fairfield, Ill.

The toughness and stability of the nylon produce a resilience that permits each ball to absorb its full share of the bearing load, a company announcement said. Centralization of the ball retainer is automatic because every ball cavity is contoured and cored in opposite directions.

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831-Shock Absorber

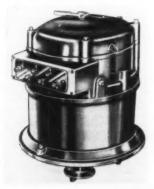
Monro-Matic shock absorbers, featuring two-stage, restricted-orifice valves for comfortable rides on both rough and smooth roads, are now available for replacement service from Monroe Auto Equipment Co., 1400 E. First St., Monroe, Mich,

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832-Ignition System

An ignition system for high-compression natural-gas engines, featuring a pulse generator for the timed



firing of fuel mixture, has been announced by American Bosch Corp., Springfield, Mass.

The system is capable of producing output potentials up to 30,000 volts, the manufacturer said, and will allow engines to run six months without shut-down. No breakers are in operation during running and no distributor is employed. Breakers are used for starting only and are automatically retracted mechanically during normal engine operation. Either gear or coupling drive may be used with the unit. The unit is about 1114" in diameter and stands 1212" above mounting.

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833—Pressure Switch

A pressure switch for sounding a buzzer or other warning when air pressure in a tank falls below the safety level is now being produced by Rochester Manufacturing Co., Inc., Rochester 10, N. Y.

Designed primarily for trucks and buses using air brakes, the switch has a pressure-sensitive diaphragm enclosed in a one-piece steel case. When air pressure in the air receiver tank drops below the predetermined safety point, usually about 60 lbs., the diaphragm completes an electrical circuit through a linkage.

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836-Fluid Indicator

A fluid-level indicator for hydraulic brakes, designed to warn the driver when fluid is low or when there is line leakage, has been announced by General Metal Products Corp., Box 108, Wilmington, Ohio.

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The Ever-Safe, as it is called, can be installed on cars, trucks or tractors. The device consists of a float mechanism that replaces the master-cylinder plug. The float plunger rod operates an electrical contact, closing a circuit when brake fluid in master cylinder reaches a minimum safe operating level. This turns on a red warning light on the dash. Electrical connections are made at the ignition

switch so the unit is in operation when the switch is on.

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837—Heavy-Duty Mirrors

A line of heavy-duty mirrors for buses, trucks, tractors and panel deliveries, available in five head styles and with two types of mounting brackets, has been announced by Auto Lamp Manufacturing Co., 2909 Indiana Ave., Chicago 16, Ill.

The adjustable hinge-type universal mounting fits hinges from 2" to 3" and provides adjustment at any angle. The body-mounting type with U & L bracket permits adjustment of



mirror at any point on its arc of vision. Heads have swivel-ball joint and mirrors are available with clear or non-glare glass, according to the manufacturer.

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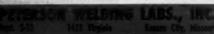
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838—Gapping Tool

A spark-plug gapping tool with six thickness gauges, constructed for bench mounting, has been placed on the market by Blue Crown Spark Plug Co., 1800 Winnemac Ave., Chicago 40, Ill.

The gauges have a tapered design that fits various sizes of standard



single and double-gap plugs. To operate, mechanic places plug in tool, electrode end up. The proper gauge for the gap size desired is inserted between the center electrode and the ground electrode. A tap of the hand on tool handle drives blunt-tipped device down on the electrode, setting gap.

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839-Tune-up Chart

A two-color wall chart of tuneup specifications for American passenger cars through 1952 models has been issued by Standard Motor Products, Inc., 37-18 Northern Blvd., Long Island I, N. Y.

Specifications are given for compression, spark-plug gap, cam angle, spring tension, float level, fuel-pump pressure, timing settings, valve clearances, generator amperage and voltage settings and for making carburetor float-level adjustments. Specifications are included for Chevrolet, Dodge, Ford, GMC and International

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840-Mirror Merchandiser

The 11-6 mirror merchandiser, designed to hold three mirrors of different types, has been made available by Yankee Metal Products Corp., Norwalk, Conn. It holds a round and an oblong clamp-on mirror, as well as a universal-type clamp-on or bolt-on mirror. Want more info? Use coupon on

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841-Arbor Press

A bench-type hydraulic arbor press with a 10-ton capacity has been added to the line of Manzel, 315 Babcock St., Buffalo 10, N. Y.

The press is recommended by the manufacturer for straightening, bushing removal and replacement, waterpump overhaul, assembly and disassembly of automatic transmissions. Vee blocks and bearing plate are furnished and a pressure gauge is optional equipment.

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842-Turn Signals

A line of Class "A" turn signals for trucks, tractor-trailers, commercial vehicles and buses, including single-face, flush mounting and double-face signals, has been intro-





duced by K-D Lamp Co., 1910 Elm St., Cincinnati 10, Ohio.

Red or amber Stimsonite lenses are available and lens is locked in place by bonderized steel door. Illustration shows double-face slenderized signal. Want more info? Use coupon on

page 98 and you will get it! 843—Splash Guards

A combination rubber and steel splash guard, consisting of a permanently-installed steel plate with rubber skirt that can be replaced easily, has been introduced by Anchor Rubber Products, Inc., 1725 London Road, Cleveland 12, Ohio.

Skirt is of heavy-gauge rubber and has a pre-drilled metal channel along the top edge for easy attachment to the steel plate. Complete assembly is available in three popular sizes.

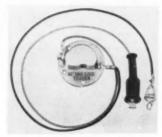
A mounting bracket for splash guards, featuring spring-tension action that allows the guard to retract and prevents damage when truck backs into the loading platform, is available also, the company announced.

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844—Gas-Gauge Tester

A gas-gauge tester that is said to locate the cause of trouble without removal of any of the gas-gauge units has been announced by AC Spark Plug Division, 1300 N. Dort Highway, Flint 2, Mich.

The tester indicates faults in the



dash unit, wiring or the tank unit, according to the manufacturer. The

tester reportedly reduces the time needed to locate such troubles to a minimum.

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845-Lighting Booklet

A booklet giving 63 ideas for both interior and exterior Christmas lighting has been issued by Lamp Division, Westinghouse Electric Corp., Bloomfield, N. J. The illustrated 20-page booklet includes displays suitable for small and large buildings and shows how to make the various sections of the displays.

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846-Plastic Partitions

Plastic curtains that can be used to set off a portion of the shop for spray painting or car washing and to prevent paint spatter or water splash from damaging other vehicles or equipment have been announced by Marson Corp., 115 Mill St., Revere, Mass.

Made in stock sizes or to measure, the curtains are bound with tape and have grommets for sliding and for tethering at the bottom. They may be wiped clean of paint spray with a rag dipped in ordinary solvents and may be pushed back out of the way when not in use.

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847-Fuel Additive

A fuel-system anti-freeze that also contains top oil is now being mar-keted by The Lubri-Loy Co., 6319 Wilson Ave., St. Louis 10, Mo. Plus, as the product is called, is

said to absorb moisture in the fuel system and to oil valves, valve stems and piston rings. Each can contains 12 oz. of fuel-system anti-freeze and 4 oz. of upper-cylinder lubricant.

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848—Soldering Iron

A two-speed soldering iron, weighing 9 oz. and reportedly heating to soldering temperature in 40 seconds,



has been announced by Snap-on Tools Corp., Kenosha, Wis.

When thumb button on handle is depressed, 100 watts is delivered at the tip for fast heating or for heavy jobs. Once heated, the iron "idles" at 25 wats. All tips are plated with "Vanderloy" to protect copper from deterioration. A standard tapered chisel edge is furnished.

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849-Piston Kit

A piston seal kit, containing six tubes of Holt's piston seal, six cans of Supertune compression primer to clean engines and a compression gauge, has been announced by The Treglown Co., Inc., Fanwood, N. J.

The piston-sealing service is not intended as a substitute for mechanical work, the company pointed out, but to stimulate related sales. It is said to reduce oil consumption and to increase compression for up to 10,000 miles

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850-Booster Cables

Battery booster cables that permit a stalled car to be started from the battery of another car are available from The Greenfield Co., 4417 W. Rice St., Chicago 51, Ill. The set includes two 8' heavy-duty cables with copper-finished clamps, color identi-fied for positive and negative ter-

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851-Plug Inspector

An inspection tool designed for close examination of spark-plug firing ends has been placed on the market by Champion Spark Plug Co., 900 Upton Ave., Toledo 1, Ohio.

Combining a flashlight and a magnifying glass of 21/2 power, the unit is said to permit examination of fuel deposits for the entire length of the insulator nose, reveal incomplete or uneven abrasive cleaning, detect cracked or chipped insulator, check condition of electrode sparking surfaces and point out need for replacing spark plugs. The magnifying glass is mounted in a plastic housing which contains a standard two-cell flashlight which directs intense light into the bore of the plug.

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252-Headlight Shield

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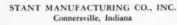
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NUCDA Meeting Endorses "Confidence" Efforts

Several "public confidence" resolutions were adopted by the National Used Car Dealers Association at its annual convention in Cleveland recently.

One of these pledged membership to a sales policy aimed at giving the public cars that are safe and worthy of sale.

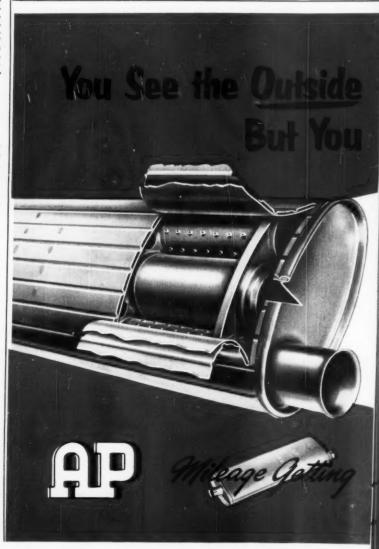
A second instructed members to write the word "junk" on all titles of automobiles that are sold by them as junk.

A third urged local and state dealer associations to ask "proper officials in their states to implement this effort by refusing to issue a new title for any car that has been sold as junk."

Ray Hayward, Omaha, Neb., who succeeded James C. Downing of Atlanta, Ga., as president, said this was a forward step in the association's drive to protect the public "from vehicles which are in unsafe operating condition."

Members agreed to work for a national uniform car warranty policy to better inform the public as to the exact condition of the car purchased from the lot of any member.

To help law-enforcement agencies combat automobile thefts, the association went on record as seeking the establishment of title laws in states not having such legislation and to work for a uniform state law in all 48 states for increased effectiveness.



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Car Dealers Launch National Plan For Highway and Parking Progress

Launching of a program by newcar dealers to stimulate state and local action leading to the solution of problems caused by inadequate highways and parking capacity has been announced by J. Saxton Lloyd, Daytona Beach, Fla., president of the National Automobile Dealers Association. The 34,000 members of the association in all sections of the country will work through special state highway committees to support the program. They will seek the support of and closely assist members of state legislatures, state and local highway authorities and other public officials in bringing

about vitally-needed increases in highway and parking capacity.

The dealer highway committees will work with appropriate public authorities in helping to determine community, city, county and state needs and in publicizing these needs.

"Approaches to individual solutions will vary from state to state and community to community as a natural outgrowth of the widely divergent problems that must be met," said Lloyd.

Recognizing that automobile dealers alone cannot work out complete solutions to the many problems, Lloyd commented, "We recognize that new-car dealers, already key community members, are obviously able to shoulder important leadership. Our intent is to bring the experience of our membership and organization to the problem and to offer every possible support."

A concise, illustrated booklet, "The Case for Increased Highway and Parking Capacity," has been prepared to highlight reasons for today's acute highway problems and suggestions as to the most effective ways to go about correcting these conditions.

One of the most striking facts in the booklet is that, prior to the recent government controls on vehicle production, manufacturers were building more miles of vehicles, bumper-to-bumper, than highway officials could turn out in miles of principal roads.

All state dealer associations are being urged to make the highway program a special activity.

Fleet Men Hear Tanner

George S. Tanner, fleet engineer for Gould National Battery Co., addressed the November meeting of the Fleet Superintendents Association of Atlanta, Ga. A film he showed pointed out that a fully-charged battery at 80° F. delivered 100 per cent efficiency, 65 per cent at 32° F. and only 40 per cent at 0° F. C. E. Steed is president and B. F. Williams secretary-treasurer.

Reo Undercoats Them

All Reo trucks and school-bus chassis are now furnished with undercoating on the under side of the fenders, hood and cab at no increase in price, it has been announced by A. L. Struble, vice-president, Reo Motors, Inc.



AP's sensational new muffler which introduces "fenced-in" silencing—an entirely new principle of shell construction—is the latest of a long series of AP "firsts" in muffler improvements. This simple but startlingly effective method of silencing today's high compression engines eliminates asbestos-wrapped makeshifts. It is another in a long list of AP features such as deeper crimp-locked seams, stronger spun heads, low and high frequency tuning chambers, 26 gauge liners, 22 gauge shells, extruded holes to resist clogging, electrically welded construction, 16 gauge outer heads on ovals.

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for signs of continued leakage. Note: if the above-mentioned checks and their corrections do not eliminate the difficulty, it then becomes necessary to perform two tests with a 0 to 1,000 pound gauge, tool J-5176.

Test No. 1:

a. Install the 0-1000 pound gauge, tool J-5176, in the pressure line between the pump and gear. There are two different type pumps used in which the pressure and return lines are reversed. Be sure to check and identify the pressure line marked on each

b. Turn the steering wheel from one stop to the other and note the pressure on the gauge while turning the wheel. Especially note the maximum pressure that can be built up with the steering wheel held in either the extreme right or extreme left position. This maximum pressure reading should not be less than 650 psi, with the en-

gine idling at 375 rpm, the selector lever in the "Dr" range and the oil temperature in the reservoir between 150° to 170°.

Note: To obtain temperatures o' 150° to 170° desired for testing turn wheels through normal operating range several times.

Caution: Do not hold the hand wheel against the stop for any extended period of time.

If the maximum pressure is below 650 psi, it indicates there is some trouble in the hydraulic circuit; however, it does not indicate whether pump or gear is at fault.

To determine if the pump alone or the gear alone or if both are at fault, proceed with test No. 2.

Test No. 2:

 Set engine idle to 375 rpm, selector lever in "Dr" range.

 b. Turn the shut-off valve of gauge J-5176 to the closed position.

c. Observe and compare the maximum pump pressure at idle. It should be not less than 650 psi.

Note: By comparing this reading with test 1 (testing complete circuit), it is possible to determine whether the fault is with the pump or the steering gear, or both.

Diagnosing the Test

Diagnosis of test results:

a. First test below 650 psi; second test normal 650 psi minimum. The steering gear is at fault.

Example—first test 400 psi; second test 650 psi.

b. First test below 650 psi; second test not more than 50 psi greater. The pump is at fault.

Example—first test 400 psi; second test 450 psi.

c. First test below 650 psi; second test more than 50 psi greater than first test, but below 650 psi. Both the pump and gear are at fault.

Example—first test 400 psi; 2nd test 500 psi.

After making the above tests and determining which unit is at fault, proceed as follows:

C. Pump service:

 Symptoms—as described in preceding tests.

(2) Correction: Make careful examination of the following:

- a. Check for loose drive-belt,
 b. Check reservoir oil level.
- c. Check for dirt or foreign matter in pressure or return line.
- d. Check filter (Eaton pump) for excessive dirt.

Note: There are two different type pumps used in production to operate the hydraulic steering gear.

Both the Vickers pump and the



Eaton pump use the same pulley and drive belt. The mounting bracket, pressure and return hoses are also the same for both pumps.

There is, however, one major difference in assembly requirements between the two pumps which is of primary importance in the servicing of them. The inlet and the outlet connections on the pump bodies are exactly opposite. The upper connection on the Vickers pump is in the return line. while the upper connection on the Eaton pump is the pressure line. The letters "PR" for pressure and "RT" for return are stamped at the proper hole on both pump bodies and are also stamped on the fittings on the ends of the hoses. It is essential that the proper mating of hose and connection be checked by these markings every time a pump is assembled on a car.

D. Line service:

1. Symptoms: Pump builds up proper pressure according to test No. 2 (valve in closed position), but not during test No. 1.

2. Correction: Since the loss of pressure may be due to faulty lines and not the steering gear, they should be thoroughly checked before the steering gear is removed.

Correcting Oil Loss

This type of oil loss can be readily observed on the external portion of the unit and can be corrected by tightening fittings or replacing lines and/or rubber seals (O-rings). First, tighten bolts on cylinder and valve fittings or rigid lines on steering gear.

Second, if tightening lines and fittings fails to stop oil leak, drain the oil from the reservoir and disconnect the lines. If bolts are removed, replace the rubber seals (O-rings).

Caution: It is extremely important that all dirt or foreign material be cleaned from around all connections before loosening.

E. Steering-gear service:

1. Symptoms: Pump builds proper pressure with valve closed as in test No. 2 but fails to hold pressure when valve is opened as in test No. 1.

Correction: If all corrections as described under D. line service. fail to correct condition, see complete steering-gear-service manual-hydraulic steering.

2. Symptoms: Failure of gear to center itself especially from the slight maneuvering involved in

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Correction: (a) Check steeringgear upper bushing under horn button for bind. (b) Check steering gear for bind (faulty alignment) when installing gear in car.

The shaft must be free to move in a longitudinal direction and any restriction to this motion must be corrected.

If after making corrections to above-mentioned possible causes of trouble, the steering gear still does not center itself, see complete servicing in manual-hydraulic steering.

F. Bleeding:

1. When installing new or repaired gear, always fill lines from gear to pump with oil before connecting to pump.

2. Bleeding air from pump can best be accomplished by running engine at idle speed for 30 seconds, then at 1500 rpm for one minute.

3. The reservoir oil level must be maintained at approximately one inch below the rim of reservoir.

4. Raise front end off ground and rotate steering wheel through its full travel several times. Use plugs in oil lines when removing and replacing gear.

Power-Pump Drive-Belt Adjustment

1. Loosen pump to bracket attaching bolts.

2. Place tool J-5192 under pump pulley and over attaching bolt as shown in Fig. 7.

3. With torque wrench (0-50 ft. lbs.) adjust drive-belt tension as

a. Adjust new belts to a tension of 30 ft. lbs., using the above method.

b. With broken-in belts the tension may satisfactorily be set at 20 ft. lbs.

Cold-Weather Car Care Is Needed More Today

In winter driving the modern car will far outperform those of prewar years, but it requires more attention to critical adjustments to deliver top cold-weather results, R. J. S. Pigott, president of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and engineering director for Gulf Oil Corp., has reminded car owners.

The basic reason for this is that higher horsepower is now being produced in less space than in older engines and more trouble results when adjustments are not precisely made.

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- 2 This middle segment from the same radiator was "cleaned" by boiling for 40 minutes in a solution of a leading oxalic acid type cooling system cleanser. Notice that the metal is still dirty and there is a heavy discoloration of the surface caused by the corrosive action of this product.
- 3 This bottom segment cut from the same dirty radiator was boiled for 40 minutes in a solution of Mac's COOLING SYSTEM CLEANSER. Note that no corrosion deposits are left on the metal as shown in the middle photograph of the segment "cleaned" by the ordinary cleanser. Mac's COOLING SYSTEM CLEANSER contains a passivizing ingredient that actually makes metal resist corresion!







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length so that it will have plenty of chuck surface.

After the extension is chucked in the drill, a socket of the needed size is attached to the male end of the extension. This adapter will allow the nuts to be driven on snugly and then they may be tightened with an end wrench.

Even though this attachment is limited in its service, it is a help when there are several nuts to be tightened, such as on a cylinder head.—L. W. Lefler, Lefler's Garage, Abilene, Texas.

Servicing Pressure Valve For Window Lifts

I N CARS equipped with electric-hydraulic window lifts, as well as those using the same systems for convertible-top control, it is sometimes found that the pump handles sufficient volume but at too low a pressure to do the work required of it. In such cases, the usual remedy is to remove and clean the pressure valve under the 5%" hex plug, making sure the same number of washers are replaced under plug.

On some cars this valve is in such a position that it is impossible to remove while the pump unit is in the car. For these jobs, here's a method worth trying because it



often saves removing the entire unit:

 Loosen and with the fingers back out the hex plug until only a thread or two remain.

Operate pump for a half minute or more.

Screw in and tighten plug.
 Try pump. It's likely it will have its proper pressure.

It's assumed that with pressure on the valve spring backed off, fluid is forced around the valve, cleaning it of any grit or gum deposits. — Lynn F. Snoddy, 1622 Vivian Street, Shreveport, Louisiana

Hooking Up Hood Springs On Some Automobiles

A N EXCELLENT tool for hooking up hood springs on 1940-41 Chevrolets, 1941 Plymouths, some Nash models and possibly some other cars can be made from an 18" length of ½" O.D. pipe.

Grind or saw halfway through the diameter of the pipe for a distance of 1" from one end, as shown in illustration. Run pipe through the lower spring hook, place the



inside part of the ground end against the upper prong of lower spring retainer and pull forward on upper end of pipe. The spring will snap right into place.

The curved surface ("A" in illustration) keeps tool from slipping sideways off spring retainer. Shoulder (B) keeps tool from slipping down.—Victor L. McGee, L. E. Dick Motor Company, Mayfield, Kentucky.

Loosening Valve Keys On Chevrolet Head

A FTER long operation, the valve keys on the Chevrolet cylinder head may become stuck tight to the retainers.

To loosen, strike the edge of each retainer downwards lightly with a small hammer.—P. C. Cain, Jordan Chevrolet Company, Kosciusko, Mississippi.

Installing Timing Gear In Chevrolet Cars

To INSTALL timing gear in Chevrolet cars without pulling camshaft, try this method:

Drill 1/4" hole in gear hub just above keyway and drive in ta-

pered punch. Gear then can be removed easily. To install gear, hold heavy bar against camshaft bearing journal and drive on.—V. F. McCarter, Good Motor Company, Rock Hill, South Carolina.

Drawing Up Cap Screws On Recent Plymouths

Danwing up water-pump fan and pulley cap screws on late-model Plymouths can be simplified by holding a short offset ½" box wrench stationary with one hand

and rotating the fan blade with the other hand.

This eliminates the necessity of repositioning the wrench in close quarters for every bite.—Thomas J. Leary, Kelly Pontiac, Baltimore, Maryland.

Reducing Bleeding Time For Wheel Cylinders

To bleed wheel cylinders quickly and efficiently when no pressure bleeder is handy and when no assistant is available, tie a 12'



cotton rope to the brake pedal under the floorboard.

By passing it around tie rod or other object in proper position, pressure may be applied or released from any position under car.—William J. Loving, Route 1, Box S, Thomasville, Georgia.

Preventing Twist Damage To Instrument Posts

To protect generator, ammeter and other instrument posts from twisting and possible internal

damage, install lock washer, leadwire terminal and nut in that

The higher friction behind the terminal prevents its turning and at the same time protects the post.

—Thomas J. Leary, Kelly Pontiac, Baltimore, Maryland.

Checking Dead Cylinder On Chevrolet Cars

To CHECK out a dead cylinder on Chevrolet cars, hit the starter with the key off. If the engine

turns over at an even rate, the compression in the questionable cylinder may be presumed to be okay. Ignition trouble or occasionally manifold trouble is indicated.

But if the engine races over one cylinder at each revolution, there is a definite compression loss and the rockers, head and piston can be checked in that order, although the valves are usually at fault.—Thomas J. Leary, Kelly Pontiac, Baltimore, Maryland.

Cleaning the Gaskets On Cylinder Heads

CYLINDER-HEAD gaskets must have clean, smooth surfaces on each side to do their job properly. Anytime a motor is torn down, knock off the worst stuff with a putty knife.

Borrow the vibrating sander from the body shop and use it on the block and head surfaces. It really does a swell job and does it fast. Just be sure not to cut away any metal.—Victor L. Mc-Gee, 308 North 8th Street, Mayfield, Kentucky.

Replacing Universal Joint On 1941-52 Chevrolets

To REPLACE the universal joint on Chevrolet cars and pickups from 1941 through 1952, we use this method:

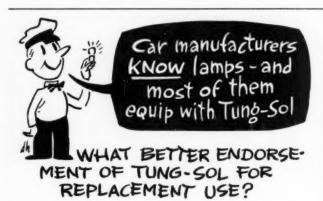
After installing front and rear yokes, place a jack under propeller shaft tube. Slide ball joint in place and adjust jack so ball joint turns freely. Slide ball joint back. Everything is in alignment to complete the job.—Thomas Busby Garage, Weakley Creek Road, Lawrenceburg, Tennessee.

Making Compression Check With Carburetor Off

A RECENT Time Saver told how to make compression check with the carburetor off by using a fitting similar to the one in the carburetor and filling it with solder. We believe we use a simpler method.

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How Much Government?

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only a third of the mortgage market. Most mortgages are of the conventional type. This is as it should be.

On balance, the FHA falls into the category of government hired as an agent.

3. Untrue. "Look what the federal government has done for the farmers! It just goes to show that a big government is a good thing."

Fact. Business organizations, by and large, indorse the principle of helping the farmer strike a balance between the cost of things he buys and the commodities he has for sale. A prosperous agriculture is a nationally sound objective, and the farmer's operations are at the mercy of nature in all her fickle moods. This somewhat sets him apart from the rest of us.

The further fact is that a high level of demand from consumers here and abroad has made the farmer prosperous. His produce has seldom gone begging since the early stages of World War II. In recent years, many of the more important farm commodities have been above parity levels.

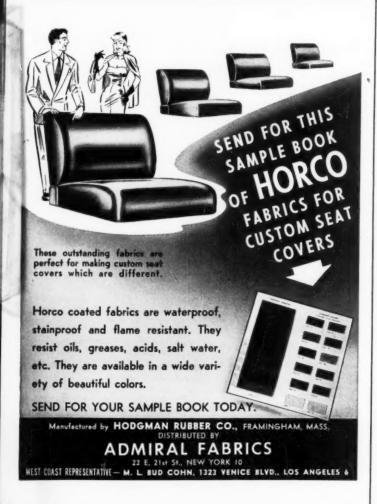
4. Untrue. "Look at the great success of TVA. This proves that government should build more hydroelectric dams and go into power business more and more."

Fact. In the next several years, TVA will be generating more electric power by steam generators than by water power. It has charged off (to the taxpayers of the whole country) about one hundred fifty million dollars of the cost of its hydroelectric dams in the name of navigation. TVA pays no interest on the government funds it uses; it pays no federal taxes. It costs the government more to keep the Tennessee River open to navigation than it would to pay the freight bills for every one who uses barge transport on the Tennessee-and ship by rail.

TVA has charged off (to the taxpayers of the whole country) another one hundred fifty million dollars in the name of flood control. But the government's own General Accounting Office states that TVA "has not conclusively substantiated the flood control benefits."

It is self-evident that the uses of a dam for both flood control and hydroelectric power are incompatible. If the dam is full of water stored for power use, it will have no room for storage when the flood comes. If space is left behind the dam for flood control storage, the water is not there during the dry summer months when the power storage is needed.

The private utilities of this country are anxious to build hydroelectric dams (at no cost to the taxpayers) wherever the costs compared with the potential income would make the venture pay off. The rates which private companies charge are fixed, of course, by state utility commissions. So it follows that public dams fall into one of two categories: either the dams would have been built by private enterprise, or they are un-Private economic investments. utilities pay taxes, including taxes



for local elementary and secondary schools. Government utilities eat tax dollars.

These are merely samples of free-wheeling untruths as countered with the facts. We can all think of many others. The socializers will point to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation as a splendid example of governmentin-business. The fact, of course, is quite different. Through the FDIC, we employ government as an agent to insure bank deposits up to \$10,000. The taxpayers are not stuck for the premium costs.

Within the intent of the law, at least, our social security program is another example of employing government as an agent.

Properly administered, these devices are useful to competitive capitalism. The socializers constantly endeavor to use the "agency authority" of government as a cover for less defensible and indefensible aids and subsidies. To put it in down-to-earth American language: That is their gimmick.

The great fact, against which the untruths of socialism blunt themselves is best framed as a question:

"If a big government is vital to the well-being of our people, why has socialism failed so miserably wherever it has been tried?"

The American success story is the miracle of modern times. Competitive capitalism works. It works so well we seem to think we can siphon off billions of our substance to shore up the economies of socialistic nations which have not succeeded and give but scant promise of success. American counterparts of European socialists would exchange proved success for certain failure. In their economic concepts, they reincarnate the thinking of the feudal ages. They may call themselves "liberals," but they are, in truth, "reactionaries" of the blackest stamp.

The great untruth they peddle is this: That freedom is divisible.

Freedom is not divisible. Freedom involves the right of free speech, free worship, and the free press. But it also involves our economic liberties. They are also human rights.

The right of property is a human right. The right to invest is a freedom, and so is the right to invest without unfair competition from government. The right to quit a job or take a job is an economic right, but it is also a human right.

The right of free decision entails more than a free choice of church and reading matter. It entails the right of free decision in the market place. Freedom in America is a blend of personal and economic liberties.

Freedom is the pith of the American story.

The test must be: Who makes the economic decisions?

If they are made by the businessman in his office, the farmer in his fields, the worker in his free and voluntary union—or the housewife at the shopping center, then competitive capitalism will live on and shower us with greater benefits.

If the decisions are made in Washington, we are headed for socialism, a rationed existence, rationed opportunity, and degeneration to a third-class power, ripe for the plucking by imperialistic communism.



Improving Hot Starting Of Commander Engine

THE following suggestion for hot-starting difficulties was included in a recent issue of Studebaker Service Bulletin:

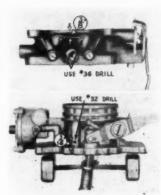
If any owners of Commander V-8 models equipped with the internally-vented Model 6-111 Stromberg carburetor have encountered starting difficulty or excessive cranking when the engine is hot, vent holes drilled in the carburetor as described will

provide improvement.

These vents tend to prevent accumulation of gas vapor while the hot engine is shut down, thus permitting a more rapid re-start. No parts are required for this modification.

The vent holes are easily drilled. Use a No. 36 drill at the locations shown in Fig. 1, 36" below the upper gasket surface of the throttle body. Drill these holes through, one hole into each barrel.

Use a No. 32 drill for the hole into the bowl vent passage as



Top, Fig. 1 Bottom, Fig. 2

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shown in Fig. 2. Locate this hole 3/16" above the surface of the cover flange where it meets the yent passage boss.

It is important that the vent holes be of proper size.

Automatic Transmission Used on Ford Trucks

THE 1953 line of F-100 series trucks, including the pick-up and panel delivery, will be equipped with fully-automatic transmission as optional equipment, Ford Motor Co. has announced. The 1953 truck line will be introduced early next year by the company.

"While additional cooling will be required of this truck transmission only under periods of extreme operating conditions, we have added a transmission cooler of the oil-water, heat-exchanger type," said H. G. English, transmission engineer.

"The water from the engine cooling system is used to cool the transmission. In actual practice this is more of a safety factor than a necessity and will be needed only for maximum loads over hilly terrain or for off-highway hauling."

The transmission will be available for light trucks with either the V-8 or six-cylinder engine.

Trailmobile Names Milner

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Jobber News

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various countries.

And, last but not least, you are an automotive man, and you want to know something about the operations of the automotive industry in these various countries.

So, you can see it's a good deal like visiting Yale or Harvard University for a day or two in the hope of getting a liberal education and earning a master's degree in that time.

I know that you are primarily interested in the activities of our own industry, so I will try to give you my impressions and observations as such, since, as you can see, I've had no chance to make any thorough studies except what little information I've gained in contacts with a few wholesalers, importers and agents.

Perhaps the first thing that most automotive men would be impressed with is the extent of the general use of small cars in all Western European countries I

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The small car is the popular car in general usage everywhere. Sure, you see some large cars and some American cars, but by and large, by far, most of the cars you see are small cars.

The economy, flexibility and simplicity of these little cars is amazing. They don't have many gadgets on them, but they are certainly a quick, reliable and economical means of transportation

that gets you there.

When you consider the fact that the sales tax, or purchase tax as they call it, on an automobile is 50% to 75% of the purchase price of a car, and when you have to pay from 60¢ to \$1.25 for a gallon of gas, you begin to appreciate that a car which will travel from 35 to 50 miles on a gallon of gas is about the only kind of car that those people can afford to operate, and a car with even a low initial cost becomes 50 or 60% more expensive because of the tax, so that's the only car they can afford

It's a Contracting Circle

These European governments do not seem to realize that they are working in a constantly contracting circle if they continue to increase the purchase tax on cars and the tax on gasoline. They don't seem to realize that by reducing the purchase tax and making it possible for more people to buy cars, they could reduce further the cost of producing these cars by making more of them and the government would collect more tax if more cars were sold and more gasoline used.

But who are we to criticize them when our own government has been working in the same direction? It is my humble opinion that if our production costs keep increasing and if our taxes keep going up, that we also will have to come to a much more general use of similar small and economical cars of a much lower initial cost than our present cars and a more economical cost of operation.

From the few automotive wholesalers that I contacted in these countries, I learned that their problems, to a very great extent, are not unlike our own except that perhaps they have more of them and more difficult ones.

First of all, the average age of their cars is much greater than ours. Early 1930 models in operation are relatively large and not considered very old.

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Secondly, they have many more makes and models to service than we have. In addition to practically all American makes of cars they also have English, French, Italian and German makes and models of all kinds to service.

Third, none of these various makes and models are in any great numbers, so that they have many makes and models going back 25 or more years of age, but relatively few cars of each and every make

and model or year. On top of that, it is important to bear in mind that by far, most all of the parts for the service of all these various makes and models have to be imported either from the U.S. or from the other countries where the cars are made, and importing takes quite a bit of time, and so you can begin to get an idea as to the difficulty in maintaining adequate stocks of all the different parts for all the different makes and models, and also the extreme difficulty in getting

any kind of a reasonable turnover "Wholesaling at Retail"

on these stocks

Wholesalers in France, England and other countries are complaining that they are literally doing a retail business at wholesale prices. because garages and repair shops do not have any capital to speak of to invest in stocks of merchandise of any kind, with the result that they buy only what they need when they need it, on a strictly hand-to-mouth basis. This makes it expensive for wholesalers to do business and cuts into profits very substantially.

Wholesalers are complaining that car dealers are not buying much from them, particularly in parts, because of the pressure from the car factories to buy their parts from the car factory only, with the result that car dealers are buying parts from wholesalers only for what they might need to service very old models which their respective factories no longer supply.

This sounds a bit familiar even to us, which goes to prove that human nature, and even human ingenuity, is about the same everywhere you go.

Parts manufacturers who make and supply parts to car manufacturers, either for original equipment or replacement, will not supply these parts to wholesalers because of pressure from, and agreement with, these car manufacturers to that effect. These agree-

ments, however, apply only to current models, but a model under ten years of age is considered current, so wholesalers can't get these parts from these parts manufacturers except for cars that are at least ten years old or older.

This, of course, applies only to cars made in the various European countries. Wholesalers can import all the parts they want for American cars from American parts manufacturers, providing of course they can secure dollar exchange and permission from their respective governments to do so-and that's not easy.

As a result of this difficulty in securing dollar exchange for importation of American parts, there are slowly but surely developing a number of parts manufacturers in England and France who now are making quite a number of various parts to fit American cars and are selling them to wholesalers throughout Europe, Africa and the Near East.

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facturers are not comparable in quality to the parts we supply, nevertheless the wholesalers buy them because they have francs or liras or pounds, but they can't get dollars to buy our parts with.

Some day soon this is going to be a major problem to American parts manufacturers who have developed a sizeable export business in these European and African countries because these European parts manufacturers will slowly but surely continue to develop and supply an increasing variety of parts for American cars and take that business away from us. The European wholesalers like our parts and our quality and want our merchandise badly, but they can't buy it for lack of dollar exchange.

The most tragic thing about this dollar exchange business is that it is to a great extent our own fault.

Not only automotive wholesalers but all business people in these European countries complain bitterly about the difficulties they are experiencing in trying to sell any of their products in the U. S., regardless of whether it is cheese or cutlery or watches or what have you. They are complaining bitterly, not only about our high tariffs on all the merchandise they can sell us, but also particularly about the many and various and constantly changing rules and regulations in connection with sending merchandise to the U. S.

There is a crying need for tariff reductions wherever possible and, above all, there is a great need for standardizing and simplifying the procedure and the rules and regulations on the importation of merchandise into the U.S.A.

European business people feel that they could very easily forego the many billions of dollars we are pouring in there as European economic aid if we would only make it possible for them to sell us more of their merchandise so they could secure dollars with which to buy our merchandise. That would give them employment and profit and the means of helping themselves instead of having to be helped with our economicaid dollars, and I want to point out that I am speaking of economicaid dollars-not military aid.

Our economic aid is generally coupled to a policy of imposing our methods and ideas as to the application and use of such aid with little regard to the customs, feelings and attitudes of the people in the various countries, with the result that the billions of dollars we have spent have created a great deal of resentment against us instead of making strong and loyal friends for us.

If the "Do-Gooders" in our government will only realize this situation, we may be successful in gradually creating a feeling of confidence through the development of good sound business relations rather than the present feeling of distrust and resentment as the result of our policies, handouts and dictation.

What's more, we may even save many billions of our taxpayers' money in the process.

Suppose You "Mike" This One!

On a tank range finder produced by the Ternstedt Division of General Motors there are optical adjustments to within one second of angle, or a deviation of only one foot on a target 39 miles away. Rabbits should hope, beyond a doubt, that they don't start hunting them with tanks.





Lee Braxton, above, last month the sale to J. R. Maxwell of Braxton Auto Parts, Whiteville, N. C. He announced: "I'm not retiring from, but retiring to, some of the things I've wanted to do," including lecturing, writing, golfing and fishing. Leaving this industry after many years as a wholesaler, he will have time now, at the age of 48, tc take his two grandsons to the circus, he said. as well as visit with friends.

Olson and Weymouth **Buy Sodrin Assets**

M. Olson has resigned as vice-president of R. M. Hollingshead Corp. and with H. A. Weymouth has purchased the assets of the Sodrin Manufacturing Co., Kansas City, manufacturer of automotive chemicals.

A director of National Standard Parts Association, Olson was with Hollingshead 27 years. His most recent position was vice-president in charge of sales for the Whiz Automotive Division. He has become president of the corporation in Kansas City, which eventually will be known as Olson Corp., he said.

"Pinky" Weymouth, who is secretary and treasurer of the firm, is retired western manager of Pennzoil and was with Hollingshead for 16 years. H. L. Olson is vice-president.

Sodrin Manufacturing Co. has made automotive chemicals for nearly 25 years. For the present, company structure will not be changed and present products will be continued, though merchandising and advertising policies will be revised, Olson said.

Record Attendance Tallied At Rebuilders Convention

WITH a record attendance of more than 600, the Automotive Parts Rebuilders Association held its annual convention in Chi-

cago recently and elected K. E. Goss, Denver, Colo., to head the group in the coming year.

R. S. Bishop, Exchange Parts Co., Fort Worth, Texas, was elected first vice-president and Robert E. Lee, Consolidated Rebuilders, Inc., Hutchinson, Kan., was named secretary. Jack O'Sullivan, Chicago, is executive secretary.

Southerners named to the board of directors include: A. J. Woodruff, John-Wilmer Co., Atlanta, Ga.; C. A. Dunmore, Rebuilders, Inc., Garland, Texas, and John A.

Lacy, Bruton and Brown Co., Dallas, Texas.

Among the speakers at the meeting were: J. L. Wiggins, executive vice-president of National Standard Parts Association; Harold T. Halfpenny, legal counsel for NSPA; B. W. Ruark, general manager of Motor and Equipment Wholesalers Association; William K. "Bill" Toboldt, editor of Motor Service Magazine; Dr. Allen R. Stockdale, National Association of Manufacturers, and Benjamin Franklin Bills, sales consultant.

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Mountjoy Company Adds Part-Testing Service

A MAGNETIC method of testing for fatigue fractures in engine parts and running gear of vehicles has been added to the shop equipment of Mountjoy Co., San Antonio, C. H. Mountjoy has reported.

Due to increased horsepower, higher speeds and larger engines, many parts have been subjected to greater stresses than was true in previous models, Mountjoy said. This has resulted in more metal failures, which have been difficult to find until an actual breakdown occurred.

The Ferroscope machine makes it easy to find cracks, flaws or fractures, Mountjoy said. The part is cleaned and placed between the electrodes of the machine, which passes a high-amperage current through it momentarily. A wet stream of a special compound is sprayed over the part. Particles in this solution trace the line of any flaws when the current is passed through the part.

"We believe our firm is the first one in this area to offer this inspection service," Mountjoy said.

W-W Parts Acquires Uvalde Branch

NEIGHBOR'S Auto Supply, Uvalde, Texas, has been purchased by W-W Auto Parts, Inc., San Antonio, Texas. This is the second branch for W-W, the other being at Victoria. Texas.

The name of the Uvalde firm has been changed to W-W Auto Parts, Inc., but personnel is the same, with Dick Neighbors as manager, according to E. H. Whitis, Jr., vice-president of W-W.

He Likes the "North" In Carolina Only!

"Gorden Duckett has returned to us after a trip to Alaska, where he worked in a parts house," said O. L. "Pete" Garner, secretary-treasurer of Hayes & Hopson, Inc., Asheville, N. C.

"He said the \$2.50 haircuts, 75¢ hamburgers and \$1-a-can beer were too much, even for the much higher wages prevailing there," Garner commented.



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Further plans for the Southwest Automotive Show. to be held March 26-29 at Fair Park. Dallas. were discussed by officers and directors at a meeting in Dallas Nov. 17. Left to right are: John McKinney, Houston: W. Frank Russell. Dallas; J. B. Wilson. Houston: Frank Brogan. Dallas; T. H. Everett. Dallas, second vice-president: President T. C. "Buddy" Garrett. Dallas; H. C. Westbrock. Texarkana, first vice-president: John Harvey, Dallas, treasurer: Show Manager Dean Johnson: Harry Spear. San Antonio: Jack Porter, Oklahoma City, and Harold Delhommer, Lafayette, La. Directors not shown are John Reynolds, Houston: H. J. Vanhook, Oklahoma City: Wayne Bull, San Antonio, and R. C. Archenhold, Fort Worth.

Willard of California Advances Slonaker

M. SLONAKER, former vicepresident in charge of sales for Willard Storage Battery Company of California, has been elected executive vice-president of the firm.

Slonaker joined the Willard organization in 1926 and for a time was special sales representative in Atlanta, Ga. In his new position he succeeds Chester H. Starr, who has retired.

Monarch Advances Hancock

John D. Hancock, former counter salesman of the Aurora, Ind., branch of Monarch Auto Supply Co., Covington, Ky., has been mamed manager of the Richmond, Ky., branch. He has been with the firm seven years.

"We have added Toledo Steel to our lines," Owner L. W. Chambers. Chambers Automotive Supply. Princeton, W. Va., reported last month.





More News Briefs

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Southerners Participate In GM Dealer Councils

A Southeast and Southwest participated in the recent fall meetings of the General Motors dealer councils representing large cities and medium cities. They included:

Large-city group: L. W. Bingham, Sr., Bingham Truck Service, Richmond, Va.; Blair Burwell, Jr., Burwell Motor Co., Jacksonville, Fla.; W. H. Christen, Chris Christen Pontiac Co., St. Louis, Mo.; C. B. Coker, Coker-Butler Pontiac, Inc., Oklahoma City, Okla.; W. L. Mossy, Mossy Motors, Inc., New Orleans, La.; T. J. O'Donnell, O'Donnell Pontiac, Inc., Baltimore, Md.; A. H. Perry, Sr., Perry Buick Co., Norfolk, Va., and J. C. Tuttle, Western Motor Truck Co., Fort Worth, Texas.

Medium-city group: V. C. Adams, Adams-McCargo Motor Co., Anniston, Ala.; L. J. Hobbs, Hobbs-Skinner Chevrolet Co., Wichita, Kan.; A. F. Lanier, Lanier, Hays Buick Co., Alexandria, La.; G. E. Morgan, Standard Auto Service, Inc., Jackson, Miss.; J. H. Webb, Webb Chevrolet Co., Inc., Bowling Green, Ky.; J. H. Williams, Sebastian Motor Co., Fort Smith, Ark.; W. H. Wooldridge, Lone Star Motor Co., Inc., El Paso, Texas, and D. W. Uzzle, Uzzle Motor Co., Durham,

100,000,000 Tire Output Predicted for 1953

Tably will pass the 100,000,000 mark in the passenger-car, truck, bus, airplane, motorcycle and tractor categories, E. J. Thomas, president of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., predicted in Akron, Ohio, last month.

This would make 1953 the second best year for the industry, exceeded only by 1947 when there was a tremendous wartime void to fill.

Rubber consumption in all fields is expected to reach an all-time high. This is caused by the increased number of vehicles on the road and the increase in the average of miles driven per vehicle, as well as expansion in the use of newer rubber products, such as foam rubber. Thomas pointed out. This trend is expected to continue.



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Setting Resistor Plugs? These Tips May Help

W HAT is the resistor spark plug and how should it be serviced?

With more of these plugs being used on vehicles today, Leslie H. Middleton, vice-president and director of engineering of The Electric Auto-Lite Co., has supplied these answers to the service trade:

"The resistor plug is essentially a standard spark plug with a 10,-000-ohm resistor built into the insulator to provide greater efficiency and longer life. The resistor cuts off the unused tail-end portion of the spark discharge and thereby eliminates one of the chief causes of electrode erosion.

Gives Gas Economy

"This also permits wider-thanstandard gap settings, which give improved engine performance and economy as leaner gas mixtures can be ignited. When more airfuel mixture can get between the electrodes to begin combustion, the result is more mileage per gallon and quicker starting. Wide gap settings are advantageous in automatic transmissions because they will permit a smoother-running engine at a slower idle and reduce creeping.

"Resistor plugs eliminate electrical interference with radio and television reception — again by eliminating the tail-end portion of the discharge.

"Servicemen are often misled by a lack of technical information on the operation of the new plug. In some cases, after a test on a mechanical device, resistor plugs are discarded with relatively few miles of service — to the detriment of manufacturer and the dissatisfaction of the car owner.

"For complete understanding, it is necessary to examine what takes

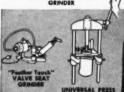




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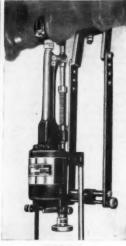
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place in a spark-plug discharge. For practical purposes, it is in two

"The first part of the spark is the most difficult to see. With both standard and resistor-type spark plugs, a rapid rise in voltage occurs until potential sufficiently high to bridge the spark-plug gap is obtained. At this point, the spark-plug gap ionizes (changes from a non-conductor to a conductor of electricity) and heavy current flows across the gap. This current, known technically as the capacitive component of the spark discharge, consists of the energy stored in the plug itself prior to ionization; it is what starts the combustion process within the cylinder.

"The balance of the electrical energy, which follows the capacitive portion with a noticeable flash, is stored in the remainder of the ignition system. Termed the inductive component, this part contributes nothing to combustion of the fuel. It is, however, the part of the spark discharge which causes severe electrode erosion and electrical interference

"This unwanted inductive component of the spark discharge is eliminated by the 10,000-ohm resistor."

Testing Resistor Plugs

With this in mind, according to Middleton, it can be easily understood that the absence of brightness of the spark discharge in a resistor plug does not mean that the plug is less effective in its operation. Spark-plug testing devices dependent upon the brightness of this discharge cannot be considered accurate for testing quality and condition, he warned automotive servicemen.

"The voltage required by a standard and resistor spark plug is dependent primarily upon gap setting, the condition of the electrodes and the operating temperature," he said. "The resistor itself does not increase the voltage required, since no current flows in the secondary circuit prior to the ionization of the spark-plug gap. During the capacitive portion of the discharge, the resistor and standard plugs operate in exactly the same manner. For this reason, heavy-duty or high-output coils are not required when resistor plugs are installed.

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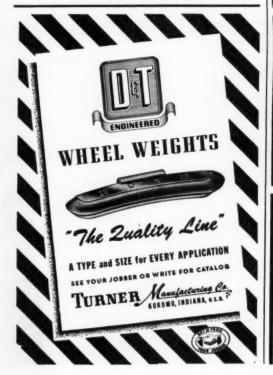
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Stevenson Takes Crown

Chuck Stevenson of Milwaukee, Wis., passed Troy Ruttman, Indianapolis winner, by finishing sixth in the last 100-mile race of the season at Phoenix, Ariz., and captured the AAA national championship. Stevenson ended the season with 1,440 points, while Ruttman, who was sidelined during a large part of the season, held 1,410 points.

Stevenson nosed into the lead during the last 50 miles of the Phoenix race on Armistice Day. For the 13th straight year, the race drivers' jinx of Indianapolis winners failing to win the national crown held true.

Ruttman won at Indianapolis, while Stevenson was 18th in that

Scheduling Short Track

Greatly expanded action in the Short Track Division is the prediction of NASCAR for 1953. Many small ovals in the South have already filed bids for a chance to put late models through their paces, NASCAR headquarters reported.

Among them are: Winston-Salem, last week of July; Roanoke, first week of August; Delmar Raceway, Md., first week of June; Wilmington, Del., second week of July; Lanham, Md., July 17, and Old Dominion Speedway, May 30 and August 29.

Date reservations are continuing to come in. Dates will be set officially during the track operators' meeting in February.

Teague Tallies a First

Marshall Teague, Daytona Beach, Fla., finished the AAA stock-car schedule with a margin of more than 1,000 points over his closest rival, Frank Luptow. Driving a Hudson Hornet, Teague won seven victories in his first season of AAA stock-car racing competition.

The 31-year-old driver began the 1952 season driving in NASCAR events. In February, he captured the 150-mile Daytona Beach grand national championship race for the second year.



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Wilson of GM Appointed Secretary of Defense

STATEMENTS regarding the appointment of C. E. Wilson, president of General Motors Corp., as secretary of defense, have been released by both Wilson and Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., chairman of the board.

"In the present state of world affairs such a call to duty would not be turned aside by any citizen,' said Wilson. "I will accept the appointment with every determination to assist our new president in his efforts toward peace.

"If and when I am confirmed as secretary of defense by the Senate, I will sever all my business connections and devote my entire time to the job."

Commented Sloan: "Needless to say, all of us in General Motors regret exceedingly to lose the services of an executive who has contributed so outstandingly over so many years to the success of the Corporation's affairs. He has been with the corporation for over 33 years and served as president since January, 1941.

"However, we feel most strongly that President-Elect Eisenhower is entitled to the unlimited support of all and the services of any who, in his judgment, can help him in successfully discharging the enormous responsibilities which he is about to assume.

"Certainly under existing circumstances such a public duty transcends any private interest. For that reason only and with the greatest of regret, General Motors will release Mr. Wilson from all obligations to the corporation."

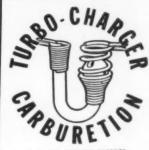
Sloan said he felt that Wilson, with his experience, could contribute much to the nation.

Kentuckians to Meet Sept. 20

The 1953 convention of the Kentucky Automobile Dealers Association will be held Sept. 20-22 at the Phoenix Hotel, Lexington. A special program for ladies attending the convention is being planned, Lew Ullrich, managing director, reported.

Floridians to Meet Oct. 25

The 1953 convention of the Florida Automobile Dealers Association will be held Oct. 25-27 at the Sheraton Beach Hotel, Daytona Beach, Fla., General Manager Walter C. Mallory has announced.



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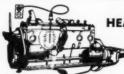


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Tire Dealers' "Cut-A-Bead" Plan Helps Get Unsafe Tires Off Road

A PROGRAM to get unsafe tires off the road and thereby increase safety on the highways is now being sponsored by the National Association of Independent Tire Dealers.

Called the "Cut-A-Bead, Save-A-Life" plan, it encourages tire service men to cut through the bead on all unsafe tires to make sure they will not be used on another vehicle.

Sometimes unsafe tires are picked up and recapped by unethical recappers who are simply after a fast dollar, the association Dealers, Inc., 624 Wyatt Building, Washington 5, D. C.

"Dual Plants" Called Answer

Dual-purpose plants which can turn out civilian or defense products or both, in the correct amounts to meet whatever international situation may exist, are the most economical and efficient solution to preparing for national defense, John F. Gordon, vice-president of General Motors, told an SAE meeting last month.



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pointed out. This destroys the public confidence in all recapping.

"When you cut a bead of a faulty tire in front of your customer, he can't help but admire your integrity and appreciate the honesty of a firm that takes time to better highway safety by removing the tire from the road forever," said Bill Murphy, NAITD director from California, the state where the program originated in 1950.

It is important to cut the bead in the presence of the customer, NAITD pointed out. The customer will know he can depend on a recapper who does this and, with proper education, will be skeptical of one who fails to do so.

Bead cutters are available for both passenger-car and truck tires. The car-tire cutter handles sizes up to 825. The model for truck tires cuts beads up to and including 1200.

Both bead cutters and advertising material on the program are available from the National Association of Independent Tire





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